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1919			
[illegible] March	Khiva	8047	
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[illegible]	Tanfield†	4539	
[illegible]	Culna	6152	
[illegible]	Somali	6712	
[illegible]	Malta	6064	Extra
[illegible] April	Takada	6949	
[illegible]	Karmala	6923	
[illegible]	Nagoya	6854	
[illegible]	Delta	8089	
[illegible] May	Nankin	6853	

†Does not carry passengers.

Accommodation as far as is available by the "Takada" and Karmala" sailing on the 5th and 12th April will be allotted on the 15th of March. It will only be possible to book passages by these steamers for a limited number of A1 priority certificate holders, who should forward their priority certificates to Messrs. Mackinnon Mackenzie and Company, Bombay, either direct or through their Agents, before the 15th March, together with a certified copy of the medical certificate against which the A1 priority certificate was issued. The certified copy of the medical certificate should be obtained from the Secretary of the Provincial Passage Committee, who holds the original. It is absolutely essential for the copy of the medical certificate to accompany the priority certificate.

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Date about	Steamer.	Tons.
1919		
14th March ..	Dunera ..	5414

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Date about.	Steamers	
1919		
10th March ..	Linga ..	Karachi and Kathiawar portd.
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Isuho Maru	K. Nishikawa..	28th Feb	11th ,,	Japan.
Kenkon Maru	M. Kaneko ..	4th Mar.	15th ,,	,,
Kasado Maru	N. Yanagi ..	7th Mar.	19th ,,	Japan.
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On account and at the risk of the concerned.
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AUCTION SALE OF 6 BALES JAPANESE SHIRTINGS.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, the 4th March at 3-30 p.m., Messrs. MEHTA and Co., will sell by Public Auction, at the baling press opposite the gate of the Dharamraj Gully at Champa Gully, Mulji Jetha Market by order of Seth Manilal Chotalal and on account and at the risk of Seth Tribhowandas Jamnadas.—
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THIS DAY, TUESDAY, the 4th March, at 5 p.m., Messrs. MEHTA and Co., will sell by Public Auction, at Cotton Green, Colaba, by order of Thucker Khimji Vishram and on account and at the risk of the owners of the Adamji Peerbhoy Mills:—
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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we have revoked the Power of Attorney granted to Mr. F. H. HEBBERD, who is no longer in our employ.

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NOTICE.

MR. A. K. AMIN.

Very sorry, you left us so suddenly without informing us about your future programme.

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Waiting very anxiously for your reply.

1213 K. L.

NOTICE.

TENDERS for works in removing the existing Health Camps from the North of the Arthur Road Hospital and reconstructing 40 rooms on the reclaimed site further North at the Junction of Arthur and Delisle Roads will be received upto 1 p.m., (B.T.) on TUESDAY, the 11th March, 1919.

Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and should be delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant.

Forms of contract, specifications, etc., will be issued free of charge to anyone deputed to receive them by the Undersigned who will, on application, give any further information that may be required.

JAMES W. MACKISON,
B.Sc., M.I.C.E.,
Executive Engineer.

Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 3rd March, 1919.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "SHOKWA MARU," having arrived from Italy (Genoa), the Consignees of her Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to this office for counter-signature without delay. No survey will be held on cargo damaged or in doubtful condition unless a written application is received by the undersigned within seven days after the cargo has been discharged. Captain J. C Richards of Messrs. Ericson and Richards, Company's appointed surveyors, will be attending Docks every morning to survey damages. Cargo removed from the Landing Shed or warehoused is not entitled to survey. No bag cargo in single gunny will be surveyed. The bills for claims are to be sent to this office within one month from the date of steamer's arrival, otherwise they will not be entertained.

M. UCHIYAMA,
Manager.
Osaka Shosen Kaisha,

Bombay, 2nd March, 1919.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

NOTICE.

A NOTICE has appeared in the "Bombay Chronicle", dated 17th February, 1919, over the signature of Mr. KESHEO RAO VAKIL, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Hyderabad (Deccan) Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd. As it contains several incorrect statements the true facts are stated below for the information of the public:—Under the Articles of Association of the Company, the general management of the business of the Company is vested in the firm of Messrs. Ramannah Ramgopal and Bhoomiah, Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents of the Company, subject to the supervision and control of the Directors. After the death of Moosthiala Ramannah, Dewan Bahadur Sett Ramgopal and Latchminarayen excluded the members of the Moosthiala family from the said firm of Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents, until the 2nd April, 1918, when a Consent Decree was passed by the District Court, Secunderabad, decreeing and declaring that Mr. Moosthiala Venkatkristian and Mr. Sett Latchminarayen Ramgopal shall hold office of Managing Secretary for two years in rotation. Mr. Moosthiala Venkatkristiah began his 2 years' tenure of the firm of Managing Partner from the 1st July, 1918, under the said decree and this arrangement was approved and sanctioned by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors had no power to remove and appoint anybody else in his place as they purported to do. The action of the Board in purporting to remove Mr. Venkatkristiah from his office of Managing Secretary, Treasurer and Agent was not merely not justified in fact, but in excess of the powers of the Board of Directors under the Articles of Association of the Company. The way in which the Board of Directors and Mr. Latchminarayan Ramgopal proceeded to carry out their illegal resolution to remove Mr. Venkatkristiah and appoint Mr. Latchminarayen Ramgopal instead was also questionable. Of his own authority the said Mr. Latchminarayen Ramgopal, while Mr. Venkatkristiah was absent in Bombay forcibly tried to take possession of the Mills from the men put in charge by Mr. Venkatkristiah. Seeing that the resolution of the Board of Directors was illegal and invalid, seeing that the mode in which the resolution was attempted to be carried out was also illegal, seeing also that a person rightly in possession and entitled to continue in possession was illegally to be ousted from the possession of most valuable property, seeing that injury to and even loss of very valuable property had to be prevented and prevented immediately, application was most naturally made to the police for help, and the police interfered to prevent any further breach of peace by reason of further illegal and high-handed action of Mr. Sett Latchminarayen Ramgopal. It is absolutely false that Mr. Venkatkristiah mismanaged the affairs of the Company at any time. The reason why the Board of Directors acted as they did towards Mr. Venkatkristiah would appear from the following. The Board of Directors met on the 19th November 1918 to consider the Draft Report to be submitted to the ensuing Annual General Meeting of the Company. In the draft report submitted by Mr. Venkatkristiah there were a number of statements regarding the management of the affairs of the Company by Mr. Sett Latchminarayen Ramgopal, directly relevant to the matter for consideration then before the Board i.e., the consideration of the report to be submitted to the ensuing Annual General Meeting. The Board nevertheless resolved in effect not to enquire into the truth or otherwise of the said statement but permitted, even assuming it did not direct that the said statements which were contained in Mr. Venkatkristian's draft report may be brought up before the ensuing Annual General Meeting. Later the Board changed its mind and attempted to prevent the said statements being considered even by the said Annual General Meeting by advertising in the "Times of India of the 13th December 1918, that the business of considering the report of the Directors as submitted by the Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents, i.e. Mr. Venkatkristiah's draft report containing the said statements will not be taken up. All this would go to show that the object of the attempt to remove Mr. Venkatkristiah was to prevent or at any rate to delay and hinder enquiry into the management of the affairs of the Company by Sett Latchminarayen Ramgopal disclosed in the said draft report. It is significant that it was Mr. Latchminarayen Ramgopal and Mr. Keshao Rao who constituted the Board which resolved to remove Mr. Venkatkristiah from his office. It will thus be seen that the action of the Board of Directors referred to in the Notice is illegal and invalid and does not in any way take away the right of Mr. Venkatkristiah to manage the affairs of the Company.

(Sd.) M. V. KRISTNIAH,
For Ramannah Ramgopal and Bhoomiah,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents,
Hyderabad (Deccan) Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited.

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THE INDIAN MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ELEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 12th March, 1919, at 3-30 p.m. (Bombay Time) at the Registered Office of the Company No. 19 Bank Street, Fort, Bombay, to transact the following business:—

1.—To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the audited statements of accounts for the year ended 31st December 1918.
2.—To declare a dividend.
3.—To elect two Directors who retire by rotation but are eligible for re-election.
4.—To appoint Auditors of the Company for the year 1919 and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th March, 1919, to 25th March, 1919, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
PESTONJEE EDULJEE DHALLA,
Secretary.

Bombay, 1st March, 1919. 1217

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

WANTED.

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P. W. MONIE,
Municipal Commissioner
for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 3rd March, 1919. 1240

LEGAL NOTICE.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the exemplification of the last Will and Testament of KASSAMBHAI SULEMAN, late of Nairobi, Khoja Mahomedan, a Merchant, lately residing at Deolali outside Bombay ..... Deceased.

USSEINBHAI SULEMAN of Nairobi, Khoja Mahomedan Inhabitant, a Merchant at present temporarily residing at Khodak, outside the Fort of Bombay, one of the executors named in the said Will of the deceased ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Probate.

Witness Sir BASIL SCOTT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, this Twenty-first day of February, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and in the ninth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) P. B. MALABARI,
Ag. Registrar.
(Sd.) W. J. HOWARD.

The 21st day of February, 1919.
Messrs. UNWALLA, PEEROZSHAW & PAPA.
Petitioner's Attorneys.

1230

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SALE ON THE 7TH MARCH, 1919, AT 2-30 P.M. (S.T.)

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Messrs. MODY and Co., Auctioneers, will on FRIDAY, the 7th day of March, 1919, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), sell by public auction in their Auction Rooms in Medow Street opposite New Share Bazar (where all the furniture has been removed for sale) very rich made to order teak and black wood artistic furniture such as mohoganese dining table, dining chairs, mirror back sideboards, dumbwaiters, very rich silk tapestry lined drawing room suits of sofas and chairs, very handsome design teak and blackwood cabinets 7 ft. with 6 sheet glasses, sweet toned "Cottage Piano" by Marks and Co. original cost Rs. 1,200. Mahoganise and teakwood single and double almirahs with safe drawers, mirror back chest of drawers, hanging clothes and gown presses, wardrobe, corner cabinets, clothes baskets, easychairs, mahoganise rocking chairs, mirror back hat stands, dressing tables, office writing tables, quite new sweet toned "Pathephone" with selected 24 English double records, Chubb's safe box, on stand, 1 pair latest design cabinets c. 26, by Messrs. Wimbridge and Co., clothes baskets, dumbwaiters, crockery stand, book stands, cash and despatch boxes, fancy glass painting teapoys, bentwood revolving chairs, office chairs, inkstands, brass photo frames, mother of pearl's folding screen, 7 ft. by 6 ft. B. wd. folding tapestry screen, Oliver Typewriter No. 5, solid brass floor lamp (hall lamp), Lady's and Gents' cycles, Baba easychairs, one made to order mahoganise, new design double complete bed stead 6 by 4, iron cots, Persian carpet, one table clock by "Barrard" English make, bedsheets, crockery, glassware, plated ware, cooking utensils, Primus stoves, etc., etc.

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SALE OF 125 BALES YARN NO. 20½.

Messrs. MODY and Co. will on TUESDAY, the 11th day March, 1919, at 2-30 p.m., (S.T.), sell by public auction at Tambakanta by order of Mr. Chaturbhooj Bhawanidas and on account and at the risk of Messrs. C. M. Venkata Challapathy and Sons.

125 bales each 400 lbs. yarn No. 20½ China and Moon Mills.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale and the balance will have to be paid and goods taken delivery of within 4 days.

SALE OF 40 BALES YARN NO. 20½.

Messrs. MODY and Co., Auctioneers will on SATURDAY the 8th day of March, 1919, at 2-30 p.m., (S.T.), sell by public auction at Tambakanta by order of Mr. Chaturbhooj Bhawanidas and on account and at the risk of Messrs. K. V. Ramachari and Sons.

40 bales each 400 lbs. yarn No. 20½, China and Moon Mills.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale and the balance to be paid and goods taken delivery of within 8 days.

MODY & CO.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 4th March, 1919.

SALE BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD & CO.'S SALES.

AUCTIONEERS & COMMISSION AGENTS
BOMBAY.
No. 16, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay.
Tel. No. 521.

Under instructions from J. Sanders Slater, Esq., the Administrator-General of Bombay and the Administrator of the estate and effects of the undermentioned deceased persons, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., will sell by Public Auction, on TUESDAY, the 18th day of March, at 3 p.m. (S.T.) at their Auction Rooms at No. 16, Apollo Street, Fort, the following:—

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Pair gold ear-studs, silver medal, seal, watch-key, adjustable table, camphor-wood box, wearing apparels, trunks, books etc.

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Leather bag and portmanteau, books, wearing apparels, etc.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD HANDSOME TEAKWOOD AND CANE FURNITURE, ELECTRIC TABLE FAN, GENT'S BICYCLE ETC. OF GEORGE RIDDELL, Esqr.

On SUNDAY, the 9th day of March, 1919, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.) sharp, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., will sell by Public Auction at "Eastvilla" at Kitteredge Road, Colaba, valuable handsome household furniture consisting of dining table, dining chairs, meat-safe, dinner waggon, marble top kitchen tables, chestereld easy chair, drawing room suite of sofas and chairs, sideboard, mirror door almyrahs, dressing, writing and wash-hand tables, clothe and gown presses, artistic corner cabinets, chairs, plain and tile topped teapoys, hanging book-case, cane-furniture, iron beds, baba gharry, partition screen, baby's cot, electric table fan, door and window curtains, ornaments, pictures in frames clothes basket, bath tub, towel horses, glassware, crockeryware, gent's bicycle, etc.

The property of George, Riddell, Esq.

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CRAWFORD & CO.,
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Bombay, 4th March, 1919.

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Liverpool, Feb. 21st.

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Position.	To-day's price.
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[illegible]	16.98
[illegible]	15.76
[illegible]	13.71
[illegible]	Not quoted.
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[illegible]	13.00
[illegible]	12.77

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Liverpool, Feb. 20th.

New Contracts.

Position.	To-day's price.
[illegible]	18.00
[illegible]	16.71
[illegible]	15.48
[illegible]	13.47
[illegible]	13.24
[illegible]	13.04
[illegible]	12.80
[illegible]	12.51

Liverpool, Feb. 21st.

New Contracts.

	To-day's price
[illegible]	18.12
[illegible]	16.82
[illegible]	15.59
[illegible]	13.69
[illegible]	13.33
[illegible]	13.13
[illegible]	12.91
[illegible]	12.62

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, Mar. 1st.

Exchange on New York May	21.15
,, July	20.80

MONEY MARKETS.

London, Feb. 22nd

Bar Silver %	64 1/2
Bar Silver Spot	47 3/4
Opening Tone of Silver:—Steady.	
Discount, Bank of England Rate 5 per cent. since 5th April 1917.	
Discount Bank Bills 3 m/st.	3 9/16
,, Indian Bank Bills 6 m/st.	3 1/2
,, Fine Trade Bills 3 months	4 1/4
,, 6	4 5/8
Interest, 7 day to day loans	3 1/8
,, 7 day market loans	3 1/8
Consols 2 %	53½
Bonds Paper 3 % Nominal	53½
War Loan 5 % Sterling Loan	79
Government Securities 3 %	69
Rs. On London at Paris Francs	25.97½

London, Feb. 24th.

Bar Silver %	64 3/4
Bar Silver Spot	47 3/4
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WAR LOANS.

London, Feb. 22nd.

5% 1929-1947	£87½
5% 1919-1945	£99½
5% Bonds	£94 15/16

London Feb. 24th.

5% 1929-1947	£87½
5% 1919-1945	£99½
5% Bonds	£94 15/16

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

London, Feb. 22nd

GREEDS AND WHEATS.

No change in prices.

METALS.

Standard Selected Copper	£88
Standard Copper G.M.B.	£75
Spot	£120
Future	11
Spot	38

JAVA SUGAR.

Fine Javas Nos. 16/18 C. & F. Calcutta July-Aug.	
Fine White Javas, Nominal	25/6
Crystals Nominal	26/0

RUBBER.

Plantation Fine Hard Cure Mar.-April Sellers	2/5½
Plantation First Latex Crepe April-June Buyers	2/1

Tone:—Quiet.

London, Feb. 24th.

WHEAT.

Wheat No change.

SEEDS.

Linseed, Ferosepore usual Bold per ton in bags	450
,, Yellow Guserat, 416 lb. ex-Ship	
,, in bags	440
Rapeseed, Brown, Cawnpore 416 lbs. ex-Ship	
,, in bags	420
Rapeseed, Bombay per 416 lbs. ex-ship per ton in bags	430
Linseed, Argentine, (La Plata) per ton in bag	440
Linseed, Japanese per ton 1st bag	455

For all shipments after the 18th instant, Government have fixed prices to importers as above.

METALS.

English best Selected Copper	£88
Standard Copper G.M.B.	£75
Copper Braziers	120
Yellow Metal	11
Spelter	38

JAVA SUGAR.

Fine Java Nos. 16/18 C. & F. Calcutta July-Aug.-Sept. Nominal	25/6
Brown Sugar Raw Java C. & F. Bombay ..	24/6
Fine White Java, C. & F. Calcutta July.-Aug Sept. Nominal	26

Tone.—No business.

RUBBER.

Para Rubber Fine Hard Cure Mar.-April Sellers	2/5½
Plantation First Latex Crops April-June Paid	2/1½

Tone:—Quiet.

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BOMBAY MARKETS.

COTTON.

(From our Commercial Correspondent.)

Bombay, March 3.

The Marwadi bazaar opened at Rs. 494 for Fully Good Broach April May, and after advancing to Rs. 496 declined to Rs. 488. Fluctuations followed between Rs. 488 and Rs. 492, and the bazaar closed quiet at Rs. 487½. At Colaba the market opened at Rs. 485, declined to Rs. 483 and after further fluctuations closed as under.

Ready cotton is quiet with little enquiry.

QUOTATIONS 6 P. M.

			Rs.
Fully Good M. G. Broach	..	April-May	482
Fully Good M. G. Bengal	..	March	325
Fine M. G. Oomras	..	,,	420

COTTON CONTRACTS COMMITTEE.

QUOTATIONS, 3rd MARCH 1919.

			Rs:
Fully Good M. G. Broach	..	April-May	482
Fully Good M. G. Bengal	..	March	325
Fine M. G. Oomras	..	March	430
Fully Good M. G. Oomras	..	March	400
Good M. G. Southerns	..	May-June	483

READY QUOTATIONS.

Descriptions.	Super fine.	Fine.	F. G.	Good.	Delivery.
M.G. Bengal ..	379	369	354	339	Ready
M.G. Sind-Punjab	374	364	349	334	,,
M.G. Bhandesh	..	420	405	390	,,
M.G. Oomras No3	445	435	420	405	,,
M.G. Oomras No4	..	420	405	390	,,

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of cotton produce, etc., for the 24 hours ending 6 p.m., on 1st Mar. 1919.

Cotton	5,452 bales
Wheat	3 995 Qrs
Linseed	1,537 ,,
Rape, etc.	37 ,,
Gingellyseed	5 ,,
Poppyseed	Nil
Groundnuts	954 ,,
Castorseed	Nil
Rice	1,707 ,,
Myrabollams	1,138 ,,
Cottonseed	760 ,,
Mowrasced	Nil
Gram	5,522 ,,
Jowar	356 ,,
Matse	Nil
Barley	Nil

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

The following are to-day's closing rates as issued by the Marwari Chamber of Commerce:

Bombay, Mar. 3rd—5-30 p.m.

	Bazaar Terms: Rs. as. p.	Rail Delivery: Rs. as. p.
Wheat White Delhi 70-35 ..	75 0 0	11 0 0
,, ,, Cawnpore 70-30 ..	74 0 0	10 14 0
,, Rauchi Bangla	74 0 0	10 14 0
Rapeseed, Brown Delhi ..	11 0 0	11 8 0
,, ,, Cawnpore ..	11 0 0	11 8 0
,, Yellow Cawnpore ..	12 8 0	12 8 0
Linseed Brown Bold	12 8 0	12 8 0
,, Thin	11 0 0	12 2 0
Teelseed White 85-15 ..	103 0 0	-- --
,, Gajar 75-25 ..	98 0 0	-- --
,, Black ..	90 0 0	-- --
,, Gajar 50-50 ..	85 0 0	-- --
Poppyseed, White	15 8 0	16 0 0
Groundnuts	98 0 0	-- --
Barley	8 0 0	-- --
Mowrasced	55 0 0	8 0 0
Castorseed	70 0 0	14 4 0
Forward ..	Rs. as. p.	
Wheat April-May	9 7 6	
Linseed May	12 14 9	

BOMBAY AND CHINA YARN MARKET.

Bombay, Mar. 3rd.

	Rate per lb. Rs. as. p.
Davids No. 10	0 15 6
Shapurji No. 10	0 14 8
Simplex No. 10	0 14 4
Curimbhai No. 12½	0 14 8
Light Houses No. 6½	0 13 0

BOMBAY EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, Mar. 3rd.

	Market Rates
Bank Telegraphic	1 5 15/16
Bank Demand	1 6 0
Doc. Acceptance 3m/s.	1 6 0 1/4
Fres. Demand	192
American Dollars	286
Hongkong ,, ...	209
Shanghai ,, ...	315
Japan	146
Singapore	187

Market Steady.

MONEY AND SHARE MARKET.

Bombay, March 3.

BULLION.

Bar gold Rs. 31-3-0.

EXCHANGE.

T. T. on London 1/5 31/32.
D. D. on London 1/6.
Credit 3 Msd/a 1/6 11/32.
D. D. on France Fr. 194.
Credit 3 Msd/a Fr. 201-3.
T. T. on Japan Rs. 143-8.
60 D/s Japan Rs. 141-4.
D. D. on Hongkong Rs. 211.
D. D. on Shanghai Rs. 313-8.
D. D. on Singapore Rs. 157.
D. D. on New York Rs. 280.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

The following are the nominal rates:—
5 per cent. War Loan 1929-1947 92.
5 per cent. War Bonds due 1920-22 99-8.
4 per cent. Conversion Loan 82.
4 per cent. Terminable Loan 95.
3½ per cent. Paper 75.
4½ per cent. Port Trust long dated 89.
4 per cent. Port Trust long dated 84.
4 per cent. Municipal long dated 83.
4 per cent. Municipal short dated 92.
4 per cent. City Improvement Trust long dated 82.
5 per cent. Municipal Tanas 91.
5 per cent. Municipal Sanitary 91.
The following are the Bank rates:—
Bank of Bombay 7 per cent.
Bank of Bengal 7 per cent.
Bank of Madras 8 per cent.

SHARES.

There was a further fall in the prices of cotton mill shares as well as Tata deferred shares, and the market closed weak.

The following are the closing rates of the Bombay Stock Exchange:—

Swadeshi 2,020; Swan 487½; Simplex 590; Shahpurji 107½; Pearls 515; Madhowji 1,970; Luxmi Cotton 1,740; Kohinoor 1,060; Currimbhoy 315; Kastoorchand 1,040; Finlay 395; Fazulbhoy 665; David 545; Crescent 202½; Colaba 1,440; Century 400; By. Cotton 580; By. Dyeing 1,390; Bundi 30½; Katni Ord. 265; Katni Defd. 1,350; Tata New Defd. 420 p; Tata Old Defd. 1,030; Tata Ord. 225; Shivrajpur 37½; Alcocks 825; By. Burma 837½ xd; By. Tramway 497½; By. Steam 337½; Tata Hydro 1,220.

The following are the closing rates of the New Stock Exchange:—

Swadeshi 2,030; Swan 485; Simplex 587½; Shahpurji 107½; Pearls 515; Madhowji 1,960; Kohinoor 1,050; Currimbhoy 315; Kastoorchand 1,000; Finlay 395; Fazulbhoy 665; David 545; Crescent 202½; Colaba 1,410; Century 405; By. Cotton 565; B. Dyeing 1,340; Bundi 30; Katni Ord. 265; Katni Defd. 1.360; Tata New Defd. 420; Tata Old Defd. 1,022½; Tata Ord. 225; Shivrajpur 37; Alcocks 825, By. Burma 837½. By. Tramway 505; By. Steam 335; Tata Hydro 1,220.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

Statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bombay, as on 1st March, 1919.

LIABILITIES

	Rs:	
Capital		1,00,00,000
Reserve Fund		1,05,00,000
Public Deposits at Head Office	1,37,74,306	
,, Deposits at Branches ..	76,05,508	
		2,13,79,814
Other Deposits		10,28,01,523
Post Bills		4,831
Sundries		12,74,674
Rs:		20,59,60,842

ASSETS.

	Rs.	
Government Securities		2,01,54,173
Other authorised Securities		18,77,946
Credits on Government and other authorised securities		3,99,35,941
Loans on Government and other authorised securities		8,71,50,165
Bills Discounted and Purchased		2,12 62,137
Dead Stock		13,38 152
Stamps		13,993
Bullion		--
Balances with other Banks		2,76,989
Sundries		13,56,451
Cash		5,36,00,501
Rs:		20,59,60,842

THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LTD.

The following is the statement of Liabilities and Assets of the Central Bank of India, Ltd., Bombay, for the day ended 27th Feb. 1919:—

LIABILITIES.

	Rs.
Capital Subscribed Rs. 50 lacs.	
,, Paid up	25,00,000
Reserve Fund	6,00,000
Fixed Deposits, Current Accounts, &c. ..	4,43,20,000
Sundries	2,96,000
Total Rs.	4,77 16,000

ASSETS.

Cash Credits and Overdrafts on Government and other authorised securities	1,08 74,000
Loans on Government and other authorised securities	1,59,62,000
Bills Discounted	47,46,000
Sundries	6,42,000
Cash in hand, at Banks and Investments in Treasury Bills, War Bonds, Papers, Municipal Bonds, Debentures, etc. ..	1,66,72,000
Total Rs.	4,77,16 000

RANGOON RICE MARKET.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

RANGOON, March 1.

The rice market was firm to-day, although only one sale of 5,000 bags of No. 1 Big mills is reported at Rs. 342-8 for March and April. Small mills were sellers at Rs. 325, buyers offering Rs. 320. Meedone were offered at Rs. 330, buyers Rs. 322-8. No business done. Speculative transaction were 2,000 bags Meedone for March at Rs. 327-8, 20,000 special March at Rs. 323, 324 C. I. F. Bombay price per bag Small mills is Rs. 12 or two annas more than the control price in Bombay so that the trickery mentioned is still being carried on C. I. F. Special per bag is Rs. 11-12 or two annas more than Bombay control price. To the Bombay price has to be added eight annas for cartage in Bombay so that the real difference in each case is ten annas per bag. Paddy is firm at 123—125 for rail and 126 for boat.

MESSRS. MONTAGU'S REPORT.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu & Co., in their report dated 30th January 1919, state:—

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against its note issue is £79,832,850, an increase of £356,955 as compared with last week's return.

The virile growth of the Federal Reserve Bank system in the United States is shown by the following excerpt from a recently issued official summary of its activities:—"Concentration of the country's monetary stock of gold at the Reserve Banks continued during the year (1918) with the result that the Federal Reserve Banks hold at present 2090.3 millions of gold as against 1671.1 millions on the last Friday in 1917, their present holding being over two-thirds of the officially estimated monetary stock of gold in the country. A large portion of this gold was obtained in exchange for Federal Reserve notes, the circulation of which increased during the year from 1264.5 to 2685.2 millions. The latter total constitutes about 70 per cent. of the total paper circulation of the country (exclusive of the gold and silver certificates) as against 54 per cent. at the close of 1917. Included in the total present paper circulation is a total of 117 millions of Federal Reserve bank notes, which were issued to take the place of standard silver dollars broken up and silver certificates retired from circulation under the Act of April 23, 1918."

SILVER.

No change has taken place in the price of silver, although one may occur at any moment on account of reduced freights from America to this country.

"Financial America" states that the contract between the U. S. Treasury and the British Government is for 200,000,000 fine ounces (the equivalent of the whole amount authorized to be sold under the Pittman Act \$350,000,000 is 270,000,000 fine ounces.)

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.

(In lakhs of rupees.).

Notes in circulation January 7, 14,824; January 15, 14,720; January 22, 14,889.

Silver coin and bullion in India January 7, 2,295; January 15, 2,118; January 22, 2,028.

Silver coin and bullion out of India January 7, 882; January 15, 1,032; January 22, 1,101.

Gold coin and bullion in India January 7, 1,967; January 15, 1,890; January 22, 1,890.

Gold coin and bullion out of India January 7 12; January 15, 12; January 22, 12.

Securities (Government of India) January 7 1,418; January 15, 1,419; January 22, 1,606.

Securities (British Government) January 7, 8,250; January 15, 8,250; January 22, 8,250.

The stock in Shanghai on the 25th instant consisted of about 27,250,000 ounces in sycee and 12,200,000 dollars, as compared with about 26,160,000 ounces in sycee and 12,100,000 dollars on the 18th instant.

Quotations for bar silver per oz. std.

January 24 48 7/16d. cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.
January 25 48 7/16d. cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.
January 27 48 7/16d. cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.
January 28 48 7/16d. cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.
January 29 48 7/16d. cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.
January 30 48 7/16d. cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.

Average 48.4375 cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.

Bank rate 5 per cent.

Bar Gold per oz std. 77/9.

The quotation to-day for cash delivery is the same as that fixed a week ago.

CAUSE LIST.

BOARD FOR TUESDAY, THE 4TH OF MARCH, 1919.

BEFORE THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE AND THE HON. MR. JUSTICE HAYWARD.

In the Division Court No. 43.

APPEALS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL.

16-18—736-17—Payne and Co, Pirozsha Bomonji Petit v Bai Goolbai widow and ors, Merwanji K and Co, Wadia G and Co, Mulla and M. Captain and V, Ardeshir H D and Co, Part heard.

S C Ct 17-18—746/27218 and 742/27219-16—M B Chothia, Valli Mahomed Abboo v Berthold Reif and anr, Little and Co.

27-18—397-16—Pandia and Co, Vithaldas Narayen and ors v Serodhar Smidt and Co Ltd, Little and Co.

36-18—1102-15—Purshotamrai and Co, Amritlal Buldeodas v Bai Passi widow, Captain and V.

38-18—884-18—N C Dalal, Shrinivasdas Laxminarayen a firm v Ramchandra Ramrattandas a firm, G B Pandya.

12-18 In Re Indian Arbitration Act IX of 1899—Khandwalla and Co, Sethna Wadia and Co a firm v Pauling and Co Ltd, Crawford B and Co, For postponement.

41-18—148-16—Edgelow G W and Co, Mahomedalli Adamji Peerbhai and ors v R D Sethna, Payne and Co.

42-18—1374-18—Edgelow G W and Co, H M Hoosein Sidek and Sons a firm v Richard Salmon Forage, Crawford B and Co.

44-18—934-17—N C Dalal, Gordhandas Purshotamdas and ors v Ebrahim Sulleman Salekji and Co a firm and ors, Forbes and Co.

37-18—1107-17—Edgelow G W and Co, Lala Har Narain v Padamsingh Narsingbhai, Madhowji K and Ch.

BEFORE THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MACLEOD

In the Division Court No. 43.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSL.

SHORT CAUSES.

226-19—Bhaishanker K and G, Chhotalal Lallubhai a firm v Ratilal Shankerlal a firm, Mulji and Th.

272-19—Merwanji K and Co, Taherally Moolla Noorbhoy and anr v Ebrahimji Sullemanji Motiwalla and ors, Mehta D and L, Payne and Co.

COMMERCIAL CAUSE.

1672-18—Mulji and Tha, Bhiwaji Motiji a firm v Bhootaji Bhoormal a firm, Raghavaya N and Co.

1792-18—Bhimji and Co, Messrs Jagjiwan Vallabhdas a firm v Messrs Kharsandas Damodhar a firm, Little and Co.

BEFORE THE HON. MR. JUSTICE MARTEN.

In the Division Court No. 40.

AFTER THE INSOLVANCY OF COURT WORK IS OVER.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL

SHORT CAUSES.

841-18—Tyabji D and Co, Bhagwandas Purshotam a firm v Ramnarayen Ramshanker a firm.

1449-18—Shamrao M and H, Vithaldas Narrandas Kothar eand anr v Hari Laxman Patel and anr.

1510-18—Shamrao M and H, Jamnadas Harakhji v Hari Laxman Patel and anr.

1655-18—Merwanji K and Co, Surajmal Badrinarayen a firm v Pragiram Beniprasad a firm.

1662-18—Dubash and Co, Messrs Nagindas Lowji and Co a firm v B Cawasji and Co a firm, Little and Co.

1720-18—Malvi M R and Co, Shivpartab Sadasukh and anr v Rajaram Nathmall and ors.

1849-18—Malvi M R and Co, Messrs Harnandrai Fulchand a firm v Mohanlal Ramnath Malhotra, Payne and Co.

1925-18—Purnanand and Co, Messrs N Raif and Co a firm v The Asian Export and Import Agency a firm.

1984-18—Ardeshir H D and Co, Gulraj Ranglal a firm v Bassittappa Adivappa, Manilal and Kh.

2023-18—Ardeshir H D and Co, The Advocate-General of Bombay v Bai Jilubhai and ors, Ardeshir H D and Co.

33-19—Ragh N and Co, Messrs Kalianji Jairam Narranji a firm v Mahadeo Gulraj Garadia, Malvi M R and Co.

76-19—Malvi M R and Co, Kashibai Ishwarlal Patel v Bendaprasad son of Sukharisha.

105-19—Dubash and Co, Messrs Krishnaji Shamji and Co a firm v Rupsing Mathuradas Lowji.

178-19—Tyabji D and Co, Messrs Venilal Vijbhukhandas and Co a firm v Messrs Rajashri Katha Iliaja Bala Rajaya a firm, Mulla and M.

217-19—Unwalla P and P, Mahomedali Gulamhussein Jamain a firm v K Shrinivasalli Naidu.

224-19—Tyabji D and Co, Anandlal Chandmal a firm v Siduram Visandaram a firm.

247-19—Rustomji and G, The West End Watch a firm v J M Sayee.

251-19—Mulla and M, Messrs Govindji Hursey and Co a firm v Abbashabhai Shaikh Ismailji a firm.

262-19—Malvi M R and Co, Messrs Bhagwandas Netram a firm v Messrs Nathubhai Maganlal a firm.

284-19—Patell and Eze, Ebrahimji Musaji Sardaria v Essoofally Ebrahimji and anr.

290-19—Payne and Co, Alfred Clarke v Maurice E Bandman, Little and Co.

297-19—Malvi M R and Co, Messrs Bhagwandas Netram a firm v Messrs Virchand Dalcharam a firm, Hiralal Th and Co.

298-19—Malvi M R and Co, Messrs Bhagwandas Netram a firm v Messrs Manilal Gordhan a firm.

350-19—Wadia G and Co, Hussenbhoy Mulla Abdulally Anik v H R Mody and Co a firm, Shroff and D.

354-19—Daphtary F and D, Sakalchand Ghellabhai v N Sukhdevdas and Co a firm, Malvi M R and Co.

409-19—Pandia and Co, Messrs Tarachand Hiralal a firm v Jethabhai Kallianji, Ardeshir H D and Co.

424-19—Mehta D and L, Chaturbhuj Kalidas a firm v D S Mehta a firm, Bhimji and Co.

440-19—Smetham B and Co, Rajaballi Jumabhai a firm v Himatlal Dayabhai, N C Dalal.

456-19—Dubash and Co, Messrs Sarupchand a firm v Messrs Chhabildas Nathabhai a firm, Ardeshir H D and Co.

473-19—Payne and Co, Mulraj Khatao v Vinayak Vasoodev.

494-19—Daphtary F and D, Gurudatsing Uttamsingh v Tulsidas Tejpal, Jamshedji R and D.

495-19—Merwanji K and Co, Khan Bahadur Hormusji Mapeckji Bhiwandiwalla v Premchand Babuldas a firm, Mirza M and M.

499-19—Dikshit M and K, Dattatrya Bhasker Vete v Jal R Patel.

506-19—Motichand and D, Tyabally Sarafally v Mulla Kikabhoy Abdul Kayum, Patel and Eze.

UNDEFENDED NEW LONG CAUSE.

1943-18—Pandia and Co, Jalimsingh Mawharsingh v Goolmahomed Ibrahim and anr.

FOR DISMISSAL UNDER RULE 103.

467-19—D J Mantri, Shivappa Parappa Palled v Devshi Khetsey and ors.

C C 326-19—Jamshedji R and D, Messrs Devchand Maneckchand a firm v Messrs Tribhowandas Jamnadas a firm.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL

LONG CAUSES.

770-18—Dastur and Co, Rattonshaw Mancherji Dastur v Haji Goolam Mahomed Ajam, Payne and Co. Part heard 1-3-19.

691-18—Dastur and Co, Messrs S Bunani and Co a firm v J A Grant and Co a firm, Daphtary F and D.

S C Ct 330/11829-15—Ardeshir H D and Co, Bai Deukabai widow and anr v Ba. Motibai widow and ors, Madhowji K and Ch.

149-02—Madhowji K and Ch, Bai Harakh and anr v Tribhowan Pragji and anr, Amin and Desai, Madhowji K and Ch.

936-17—M B Chothia, Nakrabhai Juthabhai v Ghellabhai Mahasukhram, Moti and D, Purnanand and Club, Not to be called on before 3-30 p.m., To be settled.

1246-15—Little and Co, Messrs Weld and Co a firm v Madivallappa Lingate, Shroff and D.

583-18—Malvi M R and Co, Mulji Arjoon a firm v Bhawanji Moorarji and ors, Bhimji and Co.

663-18—Payne and Co, Indaji Sheraji and Co a firm v Messrs Haspani Miya Haji Ismail Chhotani, Jamshedji R and D.

680-18—Mehta D and L, Amarchand Dharup and anr v Jasrup Sawaji and anr, Sabnis and G.

364-18—Purnanand and Co, Ghordhandas Purshotamdas and ors v Messrs Chandulal Gabruchand a firm and ors, Khandwalla and Co.

684-18—Little and Co, Messrs Abboo Baker and Co a firm v Bhimji Jairaj and Co a firm, Madhowji K and Ch.

SHORT CAUSES.

1936-18—Khandwalla and Co, Vithaldas Mohanlal a firm v Mahomed Salemahomed, Soonderdas and Co.

BEFORE THE HON. MR. JUSTICE PRATT.

FOR EXPARTE DECREE.

1169-16—Malvi M R and Co, Khetsidas Rambhakas and ors v Ramgopal Joharmal, Edgelow G W and Co.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL

SHORT CAUSES.

6-19—Shroff and D, Amratlal Lakhmidas a firm v Amratlal Hiralal a firm, Mulji and Tha, Part heard.

42-19—Captain and V, Frank Jacob Iny v E E Elisha Sassoon, Soonderdas and Co.

1703-18—Mulji and Tha, Motilal Rangildas a firm v Chunilal Vishukhandas, Merwanji K and Co.

1519-18—Tyabjee D and Co, Ismail Allarakhia v Abdulla Abdul Rehman and anr, Dastur and Co.

1520-18—Tyabji D and Co, Ismail Allarakhia v Abdulla Abdul Rehman and anr, Vachha and Co, Dastur and Co.

COMMERCIAL CAUSES.

1919-18—Jamsedji R and D, Esmailji Abdul Tyab Ismailji Muscati v Gordhandas Damoderdas a firm, Tyabji D and Co.

2007-18—Mehta D and L, Premji Goculdas a firm v F A Ujamsey and Co a firm.

2038-18—Patell and Es, Messrs Abdulla Joosab and Co a firm v Messrs Haji Jafferbhai Hirji Allarakhia a firm, Matubhai J and M.

FOR TRIAL OF A PRELIMINARY ISSUE.

151-19—Edg G W and Co, Messrs Abdoolabhoy and Jumabhoy Lalji a firm v Hasanalli Hyderally, Shroff and D, J O Order

LONG CAUSES.

1003-17—Purnanand and Co, S Shivprasad & Co a firm v Krishnalal Nilkant Chhatrapati, Amin and D.

FOR SETTLEMENT OF ISSUES.

C C 1561-18—Motichand and D, Messrs Elias Haji Oomer and Co a firm v Messrs Dwarkadas Kadarbux.

LONG CAUSES.

405-17—Shroff and D, Phochaji N Heeramehta v Mulraj Khatao, Payne and Co.

1399-17—Madhowji K and Ch, Dharsi Hadoo Devsi and ors v Maganlal Laloo, Khandwalla and Co.

457-18—Pandia and Co, Messrs Keshavlal Bros and Co a firm v Messrs Mulraj and Co a firm, Motichand and D.

477-18—Ardeshir H D and Co, Hiptoolla Abdul Hoosein v Abdul Kadar Noorbhai Merwanji K and Co.

482-18—Purnanand and Co, Sonibai v Tribhowandas Pragji and ors, Amin and D.

489-18—Shamrao M and H, Popatlal Mulchand and anr v Luxmibai widow, M B Chothia.

91-18—Surveyor and Co, Waman Bapuji Mahant v Gopal Keshav Thakur and ors, Pocha and Co.

495-18—Pandia and Co, Messrs Keshavlal Bros and Co a firm v MessraDivanchand and Co a firm, Kharas and Co.

506-18—Daphtary F and D, Shivnarayen Baldeodas a firm v Abdul Hoosein Tarachand and Co a firm and anr, Bhai K and B.

513-18—Payne and Co, Joshi Dhunji Moolji a firm v V Kantaswamy and ors, M B Chothia.

514-18—Vachha and Co, Bomanji Merwanji Wadia v Messrs Paddar Bros a firm, Mulla and M.

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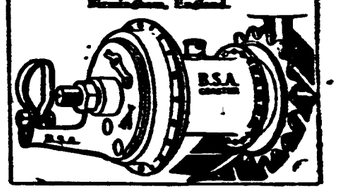

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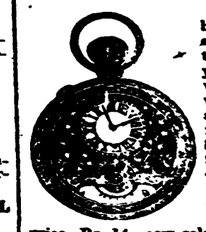

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SMALL CAUSES COURT.

A TENACIOUS TENANT.

END OF A PROTRACTED LITIGATION.

Bhawanisunker Naronji v. Khansaheb Kazi Ismail Kazi Mahomed.

(Before their Honours Messrs. K. M. Jhaveri and R. S.Dadachanji.)

The defendant in this case, who is the proprietor and editor of the "Akhbar-e-Islam", occupies as tenant of the plaintiff ground floor of a temporary structure erected on a plot of ground belonging to the Improvement Trust and situate at Memon Wada. The monthly rent was Rs. 75. In September 1917, he was served by the plaintiff with a notice to quit the premises in his possession by the end of October following and on his failing to do so, ejectment proceedings were filed against him towards the end of 1917. The defendant relying upon a letter addressed to him by the plaintiff, contended that he was not liable to be evicted so long as the Improvement Trust allowed the plaintiff to be in possession of the ground and that on the faith of such assurances being made to him by the plaintiff, he had incurred heavy expenses in fitting up the place for the purposes of his printing press.

The ejectment suit came on for hearing before his Honour Mr. H. B. Tyabji, who overruled the defendant's contentions, and ordered him to vacate the premises by the end of April 1918. Subsequently, on the Bombay Rent Act coming into force, the defendant applied to the Court for a rescission of the order previously passed, and offered to pay rent to the full extent allowable by the said Act. The plaintiff in showing cause against this application contended that, as his landlords, the Improvement Trust had increased the ground rent from Rs. 13-12-0 to Rs. 31-12-0 per month, defendant should not be allowed to continue in possession unless he agreed to pay this increase. The defendant was thereupon allowed to continue in the premises provided he paid the agreed rent Rs. 75 plus ten per cent. i.e. Rs. 7½ in addition to Rs. 18 by which the Improvement Trust had increased the ground rent.

CLAIM FOR INCREASED RENT.

Later on, the plaintiff filed another suit against the defendant to recover from him arrears of rent on the above basis, when he denied liability to pay any increase over Rs. 75, the rent originally fixed. It was contended on his behalf that the increase of ten per cent. allowed by the Court in ejectment proceedings was illegal, as the premises were 'first' let after 1st January, 1916. As to the increase of Rs. 18, it was alleged on plaintiff's behalf that the Improvement Trust had given in consideration of the increase a three years' lease instead of a monthly lease, and that as the same inured for the benefit of the defendant this should be deemed a term which was "not on the whole less favourable to the tenant than the previous terms", as contemplated by section 5 of the Rent Act, and, therefore, it should not be regarded as an increase irrecoverable under the Act. His Honour Mr. S. P. Billimoria who heard the case disallowed the ten per cent. increase, but apportioned the increase of Rs. 18, as being beneficial to the tenant, between the ground floor and the upper floor tenants and ordered the defendant to pay Rs. 13, thus fixing the amount payable by him at Rs. 88 per month.

INCREASE HELD NOT BENEFICIAL.

Against this order an appeal was heard by a full court consisting of his Honour the Acting Chief Judge and his Honour Mr. A. A. Chitre, before whom it transpired that the alleged lease of the Improvement Trust, though for three years, was liable to be determined by three months' notice at any time within the three years, and they consequently held that the benefit, if any, to the tenants was so insignificant as could be safely discarded and therefore disallowed the increase of Rs. 13 against the defendant. However, the case was sent back for new trial before his Honour Mr. A. A. Chitre in order to determine how much of the increase of the rent payable to the Improvement Trust was due to increase on account of Municipal taxes. His Honour found that the increase in Municipal taxes was in fact to the extent of Rs. 9-5-2, and that defendant's share would amount to Rs. 3-10-0 only per month, and accordingly passed a decree at the rate of Rs. 78-10-0 per month.

The defendant again applied for a reversal of the order on the ground that the increase of Municipal taxes though an increase in fact was not an increase in law inasmuch as it was not due to any revision or enhancement in the scale of Municipal taxes, but to a rectification by the Municipality of its mistake in charging under a misapprehension a smaller sum than what would be legally chargeable. The final appeal was heard by a Full Court consisting of the Acting Chief and Fifth Judges, who upheld the defendant's contention, and passed a decree at the original rate of Rs. 75 only.

Mr. A. S. Davar appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. R. K. Dadachanji with Mr. M. A. Dotiwalla appeared for the defendant.

JUDGMENT.

The Acting Chief Judge delivered the following judgment:—

Further facts elucidated on new trial during the course of this unfortunate litigation, show that the Municipality discovered that the property leased to the plaintiff, whose tenant the defendant is, fetched higher rent than that for which they were assessed in 1916. Accordingly from the 1st of April 1917, they increased the rates payable by their assessee, the Improvement Trust, who had leased out the plot to the plaintiff. Plaintiff accordingly demands a proportionate higher rent from his tenant, the defendant, and we have to find out whether he is justified in doing so. Looking at the matter from a purely contractual point of view, we find that the rent bills provide that all the Municipal taxes should be paid by the plaintiff landlord. The rent of Rs. 75 is fixed inclusive of Municipal taxes, whatever their amount happens to be. On this bill, we think, plaintiff is estopped from raising the rent, simply because the Municipality on finding out their mistake assess him a little higher, and which higher amount he was always and lawfully bound to pay. It is true that had not the local Rent Act been in force, the landlord could have ejected him after giving proper notice on his refusal to pay the higher amount; but then, if defendant wanted to continue on the premises, he would have made a new contract by agreeing to pay the higher rent, otherwise gone out.

WHAT IS AN "INCREASE"?

In this view of the case, it is not necessary to consider the point raised under Section 6 of the Rent Act. If we had to consider the point, we would be inclined to hold that the "increase" referred to therein, is an "increase" under a periodic revision of taxes, rates, etc., by the Municipality and not an "increase" such as is proved to have taken place here, viz., where the Municipality discovers its own mistake and makes the assessee, pay what he was lawfully bound to pay. The increase would no doubt be an increase in fact, but not an increase due to any periodic revision of assessment. Section 6 is based on Section 1 (iv) of the corresponding English Act, 5 and 6 George V. Chapter 97, and the cases referred to in Stroud's Judicial Dictionary also support the defendant's argument. In one case, Manchester and Northern Counties Coal Traders Federation v. Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, 10 Railway and Canal Traffic Cases Railway Case 127, the phrase "increase of rates" in Section 1 of the Railway Act of 1894 was construed, under the following circumstances, to mean no increase in law at all. The Railway Company was affording warehouse accommodation to traders for nothing for some time. Thereafter they made a charge for providing the accommodation. It was said that making a charge for something for which no charge had been made before did not constitute an increase, direct or indirect, of any rate or charge. Applying the same principle here, it is not open to us to say that the higher rate now lawfully levied in place of a lower one levied under a mistake, is an increase in law under Section 6 of the Rent Act.

INCREASE DISALLOWED.

We, therefore, hold that defendant is not liable for this increase, which, really speaking, has to be borne by the plaintiff landlord, under his contract with his tenant. Rule absolute.

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ALLEGED INFLAMMATORY WRITINGS.

BORAH HEAVILY FINED.

At the Mazagon Police Court, on Saturday, Rao Bahadur C. H. Setalvad, delivered judgment in the case in which one Mahamad Ali Rahimat Ali was charged by the C. I. D., at the instance of the Dowdi Borah community of Bombay, with printing and publishing three pamphlets which were calculated to cause a breach of the peace.

Mr. Mirza Ali Akbar Khan, barrister-at-law, instructed by the Public Prosecutor appeared for the Crown with Khan Bahadur Cowasji Pettigara, Superintendent of the C. I. D., Khan Bahadur Mahomed Husein Taki and Sub-Inspector Karnick of the C. I. D. Mr. S. G. Velinker, barrister-at-law, with Mr. Munshi, barrister-at-law, and Mr. D. K. Bhave, pleader, defended the accused, while Mr. Acworth, solicitor, watched the interests of the Head Priest of the Borah community.

The case which occupied about 50 hearings, has excited considerable interest among the Borah community. It was alleged that for some few years past disputes and differences had arisen among the Dowdi Borah community in this Presidency over the position of their Head Priest Sirdar Syedna Tahes Sarfudin Saheb. A very large majority of the Dowdi Borahs believed the present Head Priest to be the 51st successor of the Imam appointed by open declaration. On the other hand, a small portion of the community including the accused refused to recognise him as such, alleging among others that one of his predecessors did not make, before his death, any nomination of his successor by open declaration These differences culminated in the Head Priest, at the instance of his followers calling two meetings in July 1917 at which a sort of anathema was pronounced upon eight or nine persons including the present accused who refused to go and give the oath of allegiance to the Head Priest. After this, several Police Court proceedings of assault and hurt between followers of either faction took place. In July last several Dawdi Borah gentlemen received by post copies of the leaflets which contained bitter attack on the Dowdi Borah community and their Head Priest, and their distribution created great excitement. Ultimately complaints were made to the C. I. D. and the latter made investigations and took charge of the litho-stones and copies of the pamphlets from different places.

The defence contention was that the whole case was worked up by the Borahs, and that as the accused was an opponent of the Head Priest he was said to be implicated.

The Magistrate held that the evidence was too strong for such a contention to hold good. The accused was convicted and sentenced to a fine of Rs. 1,000 or in default to six weeks' rigorous imprisonment as regards the first pamphlet, and to a fine of a further Rs. 1,000, or in default, to six weeks' rigorous imprisonment, as regards the second pamphlet. He was, however, acquitted as regards the third pamphlet.

The accused was further ordered to be bound over in the sum of Rs. 500 with one surety in a like sum to keep the peace for one year.

STRIKE OF GARLICK & CO.'S EMPLOYEES.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I request you to do me the favour of publishing this in your paper.

On January 15, 150 operatives in Garlick and Co., stopped work demanding a rise of 25 per cent. in their wages and one month's pay as bonus. The clerks in the same firm have been given a bonus of 3 months' pay. The Manager, Shet Nurbhai, assured them to consider their demands, if similar concessions were made in the Richardson and Cruddas and asked them to begin work. On 15th February, the payment day the operatives found that no increase had been made and repeated their demands. The Manager in the meanwhile had left and Mr. Taibji came in his place. Mr. Taibji told the workmen that only those who had received no increase in the last year would get an increase of As. 2 per day on the recommendation of the Foreman. Richardson and Cruddas have given an increase of from 3 to 6 annas. The men were unwilling to take this concession and declared strike. Thereupon a notice was put on the board asking those who were not willing to work on those terms to leave service and receive the pay on the 22nd. The men insisted upon being paid within 24 hours or in the alternative to be paid for the days till the 22nd when payment was to be made and gave notice to that effect through their pleader Mr. Joshi. The Manager and the Proprietor should consider the demands of the operatives looking to the high rise in prices and give them what their old Manager had assured they would get, namely something similar to what Messrs. Richardson and Cruddas have given to their men.—Yours, etc.,

A SYMPATHISER.

ALLEGED DEFAMATION.

BILLIMORIA V. CHOTHIA.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday Mr. A. H. S. Aston heard the case in which Mr. H. R. Billimoria charged Mr. A. B. Chothia with defamation. Mr. J. B. Patel, barrister-at-law, appeared for the complainant, while Mr. K. F. Nariman and Mr. H. B. Spencer, pleaders, appeared for the respondent.

Mr. Dosabhai Framroz, Assistant Manager of the Taj said is reply to Mr. Nariman that so far 20 proceedings had been taken against the Taj Mahal Hotel by the complainant.

James Clarke, formerly porter at the Taj, said, in reply to Mr. Nariman, that a complaint had been made against complainant that he used to glare at the ladies when they passed in. On the 12th December, witness met Billimoria at Green's and he told him about the incident. Witness was asked to appear as a witness for Billimora in which case, the complainant told him that he would make it worth his while. Billimoria also asked him to procure a European witness, as all the witnesses were Parsis and witness declined.

In reply to Mr. Patel witness said he reported to Stengler, the manager, about Billmoria's conduct towards ladies. It was a tissue of falsehoods to say that he approached the complainant first about giving evidence. Accused and his friends did not treat him at Green's.

Cecil Davies, an Engineer in the Automobile Company, Ltd., said to Mr. Nariman that Billimoria was seated and Shirazi was searching his own pockets. Billimoria was making a row and saying that he would call the police and hand Shirazi over to them. Shirazi's pockets were searched by witness and Chothia and they could not find the ring. Billimoria would not get up from the bench to go to the police and witness told Billimoria that although the ring belonged to him he was not looking for it. When, however, complainant got up Chothia picked up the ring and threw it on the table saying "Here is your ring." Witness did not see him pick up the ring. When Billimoria was asked to take it he refused to do so. Accused said "Here is the ring, it is a dirty trick" to Billimoria.

William A. Hykoop said in reply to Mr. Nariman that Billimoria met him in Green's Grill room and asked him to stand witness for him. He was not present during the quarrel and he refused. Another time witness met Billimoria and the latter said he must get another witness, and he did not mind spending Rs. 200. Again witness met him at a jeweller's and complainant asked him to ask Lemonjion to give evidence on his behalf, but witness refused to do so.

To Mr. Patel: He had never borrowed money from Billimoria and he did not want a loan on a small ring from Lemonjion.

STUDENTS' LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I shall thank you to insert the following lines in to-morrow's issue of your esteemed and widely circulated paper as the matter is of some public importance and very urgent.

The affairs of the above Society and the girls' high school conducted by it have attracted public attention of late. The treatment by the Head Mistress of girls of tender age was brought to the notice of your readers only a few days back. The writer, however, omitted to mention the fact that, as the result of the punishment, one or two of the poor girls fainted. Unfortunately, however, the personnel of the Committee in charge of the school has been under the working of very subtle and persistent influence so changing that persons of strong and independent character, capable of effectively controlling the Head Mistress have gone out of office, and have been succeeded on the management by persons working in the school or otherwise interested in supporting the Head Mistress. Thus, Mr. M. R. Jayakar, was a member of the Committee until he was appointed Joint Secretary in place of Mr. Daji Abaji Khare, deceased. He had to resign the office of the Secretary, owing to the pressure of legal and other work. He was, however, available for a seat on the Managing Committee, and the Vice-President the Hon. Mr. L. A. Shah, more than once expressed his opinion that persons like Mr. M. R. Jayakar should be on the Committee yet, Mr. Jayakar was never elected nor nominated when an opportunity presented itself.

At the ensuing election, an attempt appears to have been made to return on the Committee almost all the Superintendents of the schools managed by the Society, namely, Mr. G. B. Vaidya, Dr. J. S. Nerurkar and Mr. V. G. Rao, as also two teachers, Mr. V. V. Rane and Mr. S. B. Raikar. It is undesirable to put the Superintendents and teachers on the Committee as they ought not to be made judges of their own action. They can, at best, be made ex-officio members of the Committee without the power to vote.

It is absolutely necessary that there should be a strong and independent Committee of persons of tried merit and social position—persons who entertain broad and liberal views about female education and who are capable of exercising well considered and mature judgment on the actions of the entire staff of the school.

It is, therefore, the bounden duty of the members of the Society, in the interest of the Society, in the interest of the school conducted by them, in the interest of the girls consigned to their care, to exercise their vote judiciously and independently and not at the bidding of interested persons who are now trying to keep out certain members whom they do not want on the Committee.—Yours, etc.

A MEMBER OF THE SOCIETY.

Girgaum, March 2.

A CHARITY PERFORMANCE.

The Hind-mata Sevak Samaj will perform a Marathi drama entitled "Punya-Prabhav" in aid of the Famine Relief Fund on the 6th instant in the Victoria Theatre at Grant Road.

CONGESTION IN TELEGRAPH TRAFFIC.

The General Superintendent, Eastern Telegraph Company, intimates that all traffic will be accepted absolutely at senders' risk and will be subject to very heavy delay. The public is urged to use the cables for messages of urgent importance only.

MATERNITY HOSPITAL FOR BOMBAY.

SELECTION OF SITE.

COMMISSIONER'S LETTER TO CORPORATION.

A meeting of the Municipal Corporation was held last evening, Mr. Rahimtoolah Currimbhoy presiding.

The Corporation considered a letter from the Municipal Commissioner regarding the Mahim Development Scheme. It was proposed by the Commissioner to construct three roads,—two from Purbhadevi Road to Dadar Kumbharwada Road, and one road from Lady Jamsetji Road to Mahim. He asked the Corporation to refer the matter to the Roads Committee.

The letter was referred to the Roads Committee on the motion of Dr. M. C. Javle.

The Corporation also considered a letter from the Commissioner regarding the condition of certain footpaths in the city. The Commissioner stated:

"The footpaths in Hughes Road except between Sandhurst Bridge and French Road are still in charge of the Improvement Trust. In several places their surface was irregular owing to insufficient space having been left round the trees. They are now being improved by the Trust. The footpaths on Grant Road were made of cement many years ago. This is giving way in places and is from time to time being repaired. It is proposed in future when repairs are carried out to replace the cement work by Shahabad stone slabs. The delay in carrying out repairs to the footpath in Girgaum Road referred to in the resolution was due to the difficulty of securing waggons for bringing materials. The contractors completed the work in September last."

On the motion of Mr. R. B. Mantri the letter was recorded.

The Corporation then recorded the Commissioner's report about the construction of a reservoir on the premises of Mr. Morarji Vassanji at Ridge Road on Malabar Hill. The Commissioner had stated that according to the Executive Engineer the tank could not hold more than about 23,000 gallons of water, and that it was structurally capable of the water thrust. The Commissioner did not, therefore, think that he should interfere in the matter.

MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

On the motion of Dr. K. E. Dadachanji, the Corporation recorded a letter from the Commissioner regarding a hospital for maternity and diseases of women and children in Bombay. The Commissioner stated:

"It will be remembered that one of the conditions made by the Hon. the Advocate-General was that before securities representing Rs. 5 lakhs were transferred to the Municipality, a temporary maternity home with at least 20 beds should be established to his satisfaction within a radius of 1/3 of a mile of the family residence of the late Mahomed Haji Saboo Sidick at Chhaa Moholla. Very considerable difficulty has been experienced in finding a suitable building within the radius referred to I am now, however, in a position to put before the Corporation a proposal to lease a building recently constructed which consists of a ground floor and two upper floors in Imamwada Road, the property of Mr. Jaffer Mahomed Mistri. The terms and conditions under which Mr. Jaffer Mahomed is willing to lease the building are stated in his letter, dated the 25th January 1919, copy of which is enclosed. It is proposed, if the building is leased, that the two upper floors should be used for the accommodation of 20 beds and for a nurse and matron nurse, that of the seven rooms on the ground floor four should be used for the District Registrar's Office, No. 3 District (at present located in hired quarters which are not very suitable) and for the vaccination station at present located in the Health Department stables in B Ward north, and that the remaining three rooms should be let under restrictions in regard to 'user' to be determined by the Health Officer."

The net annual charge for the Home was estimated at Rs. 22,900.

"Against this expenditure there will be the income from 5 lakhs of rupees invested in 5½ per cent. war bonds, amounting to Rs. 27,500 per annum. The excess of income over expenditure will thus be Rs. 5,200 in the first year and Rs. 8,600 approximately in subsequent years.

"I trust that the Corporation will approve the proposal—as I have said already the greatest difficulty has been experienced in finding a suitable building for this temporary home—and I request their sanction to my leasing Mr. Jaffer Mahomed Mistri's building referred to on the conditions stated in his letter of the 25th January. Negotiations for securing a suitable site for a permanent maternity home in this locality are in progress. I request that this letter be laid before the Corporation for consideration as urgent business as Mr. Jaffer Mahomed Mistri has recently asked that the matter be decided as early as possible."

The Corporation then adjourned.

A Rangoon message says:—

Mr. G. O. Latimer, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Rangoon, has been removed from the service of the Government, having previously been under suspension.

The export royalty of two per cent. on rubber from Burma will be calculated on a nett value of annas four per pound.

MEERUT POLO TOURNAMENT.

FIRST ROUND.

(From our Correspondent.)

MEERUT, March 1.

The Meerut week opened this afternoon with the first ties in the Handicap Polo Tournament. The first game was between the 21st Lancers A. v. 21st Lancers C. at the same Handicap. In the first chukker Wyatt got a goal at a good back Lauder by Piggott.

In the second chukker after a few minutes' fast play, Lister's pony stopped, and the game was stopped for a few minutes by what looked like a nasty fall. Lister remounted and the chukker ended in no score. Pigott was rather slow on the ball. Hoare scored the next bye for C. team. After up and down play Harford scored, and from the throw in Evans took the ball up and scored again. The chukker ended.

Score:—

21st Lancers A ..... 3 goals.
21st Lancers C ..... 1 goal.

From the centre of ground Wyatt got the ball to himself, made a good run down, culminating in a goal. Evans after a long shot, halt sounded and the match ended:

Score:—

21st Lancers A ..... 5 goals.
21st Lancers C ..... 1 goal.

The teams:—

21st Lancers A:—Messrs. Wyatt and Harford, Capt. Evans and Sir B. Pigott.

21st Lancers C:—Messrs. Arerdieck and Lowndes, Capt. Hoare and Lister.

For the losers Hoare played well. The losers had bad luck in that in the shaking up Lister got put him off his game.

Umpires:—Major Henry, and Capt. Godfrey.

SECOND MATCH.

16TH CAVALRY V. 21ST LANCERS B.

The latter started plus two goals. The game was checked at the beginning by a foul against 16th Cavalry. Shortly after, Lall Singh scored for the 16th Cavalry Up and down play for the rest of the chukker. Collonel Fraser's vigrous riding off resulted in Lall Singh losing his bungi

Second chukker:—Drake took the ball up very smartly and Pilcher scored the third chukker. After some up and down play, Amar Singh was well up the ground when Col. Fraser rode Lall Singh across him, Amar Singh took the penalty hot, but the goal was smartly saved by Pilcher.

Fourth chukker:—Amar Singh scored after a short run from the wing.

The final score:—

Lancers ..... 3 goals.
16th Cavalry ..... 2 goals.

A feature of the game was the energy displayed by Col. Fraser in riding off for the winners. Pilcher and Drake played a good game for the losers. Amar Singh did useful work.

The teams:—

Lancers:—Messrs. Prynne, and Drake Major Pilcher, Col. Fraser.

16th Cavalry:—Kot Dafdar, Lall Singh, Captains Wordsworth, Welsh and Amar Singh.

Umpires:—Majors Henry and Allen.

INDIAN FAMINE.

AMERICAN RED CROSS SOCIETY UNABLE TO HELP.

The Rev. R. A. Hume, Secretary of the proposed Bombay Branch of the American Red Cross Society, writes:—

You may know that in November, 1918, the Bombay Representative Council of Missions organized a new branch of the American Red Cross Society, with the American Consul as chairman, Sir Dinsha E. Wacha and the Hon. Mr. Purushotamdas Thakordas as members, and myself as secretary.

I cabled and wrote letters to New York and Washington. Relief was to be given without the slightest regard to caste or creed. Some missionaries on furlough in America tried to influence the great Red Cross organization to extend its philanthropic service to suffering India.

But I deeply regret to have to report that to-day—March 1st—the following cablegram was received from New York:—"Rev. Robert Hume, Ahmednagar. Red Cross finally advises us unable to handle situation in India. Have referred it to Mission Boards. Charles S. Macfarland. Federal Council of Churches."

Apparently the immense responsibilities which the American Red Cross Society has assumed in connection with war-stricken countries make its authorities, feel unable to assume any responsibility for India.

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crate, 33 drums acitic acid; 110 cases aluminum circle; 5 cases aluminum powder; 23 cases myrhje violet; 123 cases varnish; 4 cases each drug; 195 cses, 4 boxes drums; 126 boxes drugs and medicine; 20 cases acid acange; 15 cases glass ware; 2 cases glass plate; 27 cases porcelain; 35 cases glass bottle; 15 cases porcelain cup saucer; 17 packages E. ware; 7 boxes glass hand churu; 7 bags unin; 125 packages, 15 bags gum benzamin; 57 baskets, 75 bags gambier; 6 packages aubs gambier; 50 bags gambier basket; 75 cases bucon; 30 cases ham and bacon; 100 bags tapiocca; 45 cases, 10 bags pine apple; 100 cases enil salmon; 350 cases whisky; 172 cases Stearn's wine; 23 boxes paint in ore; 3,699 bundles rattans; 63 bundles, 110 cases brass sheets; 176 cases, medicine; 1,350 pieces plank; 3,119 bags betelnuts; 121 bags pepper; 59 bags coffee; 1,000 bags refined sugar; 121 cases shoes; 41 cases white shirting; 638 bales grey cotton shirtings; 334 bales grey cotton drill; 74 bales dhoties; 174 bales shirting; 20 cases cotton brown undershirts; 793 bales cotton shirting; 100 bales cotton drill; 195 baleg lassed cotton yarn; 50 bales cotton yarn; 433 bales cotton sheeting; 35 cases cotton bed cover; 19 cases cotton towel; 28 cases cotton undershirts; 14 cases cigarettes; 2 cases wood shuttles.

S. S. Aronda from London, Agents M. M. and Co.:—1 box pearls.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 1.

S. S. Rhenfels, Brown, Glasgow, Jan. 1.
S. S. T. Jobodas, Willson, Hull.
S. S. Hellus, Beck, Bangkok, Feb. 14.
S. S. Shokawa Maru, Morchi, Genoa, Feb. 5.
S. S. Fenchurch, Johnson, Adelaid, Feb. 1.

March 2.

S. S. City of Oran, Henderson, New York, Jan. 6.
S. S. Dunera, Fysh, Shanghai, Feb. 10.
S. S. City of Rangoon, Mayell, New York, Jan. 15.

DEPARTURES.

March 3.

S. S. Linga, Cutbush, Karachi, etc.

The following vessel obtained its port clearance yesterday:—

S. S. Banka, Boum, Rangoon.

The following vessel began to load yesterday:—

Steamer Shokwa Maru, for Marseilles, etc.

The O. S. K. steamer Kasado Maru (outward bound), arrived at Colombo on the 2nd instant.

S. S. Jibodas:—The W. and A. Graham Co.'s steamer T. Jibodas, 2,958 tons, Captain J. Wilson, arrived in harbour on Sunday from Hull via Plymouth and New York, with a general cargo.

S. S. Rhenfels:—The W. and A. Graham Co.'s steamer Rhenfels, 3,539 tons, Captain D. G. Brown, arrived in harbour on Sunday from Glasgow, with ballast, which port she had left on 1st January.

S. S. Hellus:—The F. F. Campbell Co.'s steamer Hellus, 849 tons, Captain C. Beck, arrived in harbour on Sunday from Bangkok, with a cargo of timber, which port she had left on 14th ultimo.

S. S. Shokwa Maru:—The O. S. K. steamer Shokwa Maru, 1,824 tons, Captain M. Motobi arrived in harbour on Sunday from Genoa, with a general cargo, which port she had left on 5th ultimo.

S. S. Fenchurch:—The W. and A. Graham Co.'s steamer Fenchurch, 2,823 tons, Captain J. Johnson, arrived in harbour on Sunday from Adelaid, with a cargo of 31,000 tons, wheat, which port she had left on 1st ultimo.

S. S. City of Oran:—The W. and A. Graham Co.'s steamer City of Oran, 5,048 tons, Captain R. C. Henderson, arrived in harbour yesterday, from New York, with a general cargo, which port she had left on 6th January.

S. S. Dunera:—The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Dunera, 3,439 tons, Captain R. P. Fysh, arrived in harbour yesterday from Shanghai, with a general cargo and 35 cabin and 231 deck passengers, which port she had left on 10th ultimo.

S. S. City of Rangoon:—The W. and A. Graham Co.'s steamer City of Rangoon, 6,277 tons, Captain J. Mayell, arrived in harbour yesterday from New York, with a general cargo and kerosine oil, which port she had left on 25th January.

S. S. Linga:—The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Linga, 958 tons, Captain H. M. Cutbush, sailed yesterday, from the Bombay harbour for Karachi via Kathiawar Coast Ports, with a general cargo and passengers.

S. S. Banka:—The T. W. Co.'s steamer Banka, 4,164 tons Captain G. P. Boum will sail to day from the Bombay harbour for Rangoon, with ballast.

VESSELS IN THE BOMBAY DOCKS

Monday, 3rd March, 1919.

Shed.	Steamers.	Tons.	Destination.	Date of Agents.
PRINCES DOCK.				
A	Kuwait ..	7303	Jedah	N F T Mackinnon & Co.
B	Inabo Maru	2867	Kobe	12-3-19 .. O S Kaisha
C & E				
C	Clan Corinth	3773	Liverpool	8-3-19 .. J Finlay & Co.
D & E	Bars			
	Mara	1616	Genoa	10-3-19 .. O S Kaisha
F	Clan MacAlpine	4194	N.F.	N.F. Finlay & Co.
G	Lusita ..	2-4	Calcutta	N F .. ..
H	Sevilla ..	3438	N F	N F .. B M & Co.
M	Lovaby ..	3-23	N F	N F T. B. Seth & ..
O	Sch ener			
	Utopia	296	N F	N F 1-3-19 Shaw Wallace & Co.
P	Penchard ..	2727	N.F.	N.F. Wallace & Co.
Q	Bankanya ..	160	N F	N F Smith Stanistreet & Co.
HARBOUR WALL.				
	Pesani ..	552	N F	N F B & W Co.
	Indravati ..	513	N F	N F B & W Co.
	Mahamadi ..	849	Karachi	4-3-19 .. B. I. S. N. Co.
	Kaveri ..	553	N.F.	N.F. B & W. & Co.
	Juba ..	394	N F	N F .. B I M.
VICTORIA DOCK.				
1	Warturm ..	8127	Liverpool	N F .. Graham & Co.
2	Banca ..	3797	Rangoon	7-3-19 .. B M & Co.
3	Toyo Maru	2243	Singapore	10-3-19 .. N Y Kaisha
4	Zayani ..	2527	P Gulf	4-3-19 .. B I S N Co.
5	Abydos ..	1040	P Gulf	10-3-19 .. B I S N Co.
6	Chunsang ..	1408	N F	N F .. B M & Co.
8	Porto de Savona ..	2543	Genoa	4-3-19 .. M Inabama
9	Shaka Maru	1904	Marseilles	N.F. .. N Y K
10	Tjisondari ..	2443	N.F.	N.F. W & G & Co.
12	& 13 Pundua ..	2126	East Africa	4-3-19 .. B M & Co.
15	Firoozi ..	3029	P Gulf	N F .. Maclaren & Co.
16	Shanghai ..	1718	—	Dunn .. P & O S N Co.
ALEXANDRA DOCK.				
1	Aronda ..	1677	Basra	5-3-19 .. B M & Co.
2	Barpeta ..	1877	N.F.	N.F. B. M. & Co.
3	Borjora ..	1908	Basra	4-3-19 .. B M & Co.
4	Chakdina ..	1540	Basra	N F .. B M & Co.
5	Teesta ..	3428	N.F.	N.F. B M & Co.
7	Clan Ogilvy	3716	Liverpool	3-3-19 .. J Finlay & Co.
8	Banka ..	3797	Rangoon	4-3-19 .. B M & Co.
9	Egra ..	2243	N F	N F .. B M & Co.
10	Mangani	3412	London	5-3-19 .. B M & Co.
11	Devanha ..	47-5	London	5-3-19 .. B M & Co.
13	Martaiban	3282	N F	N F .. B M & Co.
14	Tatui ..	3-41	N F	N F .. B M & Co.
15	Chanda ..	1335	Japra	N F .. B M & Co.
16	Seapool ..	2790	N F	N F .. B I M.
17	Jehangir ..	3361	Egypt Ports	N F T Hosie & Co.
Jetty End				
	Sicilia ..	4189	N F	N F .. B M & Co.
B.	Pier Dunera	3439	N.F.	N.F. B. M. & Co.
	Akbar ..	2903	N.F.	N.F. B. M. & Co.
	..	..	..	N F .. T Hosie & Co.
12	Quarimba	4937	Rangoon	5-3-19 .. B M & Co.
MERSEWETHER DRY DOCK				
	Phemia ..	5522	N.F.	N.F. W & S G & Co.

*Probable date of departure

EXPORTS.

S. S. Clan Macgillivray, for Liverpool:—3,000 tons manganese ore, James Finlay and Co.!

S. S. City of Corinth, for Liverpool:—300 bales cotton, Bombay Company; 74 bales wool, Bombay Company; 352 bales cotton, 115 bales wool, David Sassoon and Co.

S. S. Warturm, for Liverpool:—140 bales cotton, Dumodhar Hemandas; 300 bales cotton, David Sassoon and Co.

S. S. Devanha, for London:—325 cwts. khasmis, Tokersi Ramji and Co.; 10 bales hemp, Amerchand Madhavji; 66 bales Hessian, Ralli Bros.; 15 cases bristles, C. N. S. Jinawala and Co.; 150 maunds valerian roots, Grindlay and Co.; 2824 cwts. gum kudyee, Esmail Rahimtoola and Co.

S. S. Rhenfels, for Marseilles:—66 bales silk waste, 400 cwts. pepper, Volkart Bros.; 50 cwts. rough garnet stone, Janmahamed Salemahamed; 155 bales cotton, 300 bales cotton fly; Khimji Visram and Co.; 350 cwts. mustard seeds, Rajanjee Jeevandas and Co.; 30 bales ketki fibre, Sulzer Bruderer and Co.; 2,250 cwts. Buffelo horns, G. H. Esmail; 6 cases sandal wood oil, Volkart Bros.

S. S. Toyo Maru, for Kobe:—1,500 bales cotton, N. M. K. Kaisha.

S. S. Chunsang, for Hongkong:—20 cwts. guns, Olibanum Amrallal and Co.; 52½ cwts sandal wood, 47 cwts. karu kutty, E. S. Abdul Kyum; 68 cwts. coplate, Haji Mahomed Haji; 1250 bales cotton grey twist, Currimbhoy and Co.; 750 bales cotton grey twist, I. David; 225 bales cotton yarn, W. A. Brady and Co.; 200 bales cotton, Patel Bros.; 250 bales grey cotton yarn, Mulsul Bussan Kaisha; 75 bales cotton twist, Yusaa Cotton Trading Co.; 100 bales cotton grey yarn, Greaves Cotton and Co.; 1250 bales cotton grey twist, E. D. Sassoon and Co.

IMPORTS.

S. S. Inaho Maru from Osaka, Agents O. S. Kaisha:—25 bases hyposulphate of soda;

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BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

Notices under this heading are inserted at the rate of Rupee One per Line per insertion.

ENGAGEMENTS

WEDNESDAY, March, 5.

Bombay Presidency Association: Meeting of Council, Esplanade Road, 6-15 p.m.

Mails for E. A. E. Force, Lamu, Mombasa, Ibo, Chindi, Dar-es-Salaam, Zanzibar, Tanga, Quilimane, Mozambique, Beira and L. Marquis, per s.s. Pundua, will be closed at the General Post Office at 8 a.m. Correspondence for Natal, Cape colony and other places in South Africa will also be forwarded by this steamer.

FRIDAY, March, 7.

League of Mercy: Annual meeting Institute of Science, (Women's Branch) 6-15 p.m.

SATURDAY, March, 8.

Mail Steamer Tanfield expected to arrive.

FRIDAY, March, 14.

Mail Steamer Hejaz with China Mails expected to arrive.

AMUSEMENTS.

Royal Opera House: at 6-30 and 10 p.m.
Imperial Cinema: 7, 8-45 and 10-30 p.m.
West End Cinema: 7-0, 8-45 and 10-30 p.m.
Majestic Cinema: 7-0, 8-45 and 10-30 p.m.
Precious Chinema: 7-0, 8-45 and 10-30.
New Alexandra: 7-0, 8-45, and 10-30 p.m.

Domestic Occurrence.

DEATH.

CAMA—Mrs. Aimai Sorabji Cama, wife of Sorabji Nasserwanji Pestonji Cama, and daughter of Sorabji Darasha Captain, died last evening. Funeral at 7-30 (B.T.) to-day. Address:—New Gamdevi, Owen Dunn Road, Dasturji Gardaji's house.

BAND AT R. B. YACHT CLUB.

The Band of the 1/13th G. I. P. Railway Battalion (I. D. F.) will play at the R. B. Yacht Club this evening commencing at 6-15 p.m.

BAND AT P. V. MARY GYMKHANA.

The Band of the 1/13th G. I. P. Railway Battalion, (I. D. F.) will play at the P. V. Mary Gymkhana this evening commencing at 6-15 p.m.

ENGLISH MAILS.

The Mail Steamer "Tanfield" with the outward Mails of the 13th ultimo is expected to arrive in Bombay on Saturday evening.

The Mail Steamer "Culna" which left London on the 13th ultimo and has on board mail of the 20th ultimo arrived at Port Said on Saturday.

LEAGUE OF MERCY.

The annual meeting of the League will be held in the Institute of Science (Women's Branch) on Friday next at 6-15 p.m. His Excellency Lady Lloyd, who is patroness of the League, will take the chair, and the Hon. Mr. Curtis will speak.

FREE DISTRIBUTION OF CHOLERA MIXTURE.

Mr. Amarthram, who has been distributing the above mixture, with the assistance of some volunteers at Byculla, Parel and Mazagon, sends his report that he attended to 479 patients, out of which 469 had recovered and 4 died and 6 were sent to hospital. He had also distributed milk and food-stuffs to 261 deserving patients. We are asked to state that Haji Yusuf Sobani will give the prescription of the mixture to any one who is willing to undertake to distribute the same freely.

HOMEWARD PASSAGES.

The following Press Communique, dated, Delhi, the 21st February, has been issued by the Department of Commerce and Industry, Government of India:—

It is notified, for general information, that, while the number of A-1 priority certificates current is greater than that of passages available in the near future and only the most urgent cases can be accommodated at once, each person who has obtained an A-1 priority certificate should attach to his certificate, when forwarding it through the Shipping Company, a copy of his medical certificate certified by the Passage Committee concerned. If the priority certificate has already been despatched to the Company the certified copy of the medical certificate should be sent in as soon as possible.

DEATH OF MR. H. N. APTE.

WELL-KNOWN MARATHI NOVELIST.

(Associated Press.)

POONA, March 3.

Mr. H. N. Apte, ex-President of the City Municipality and famous Marathi novelist, died of dropsy this evening at Anandashram, Poona. He was brought here from Bombay only this afternoon. He was an intimate friend and a devoted follower of the late Justice Ranade and Mr. Gokhale. He was Secretary of the Deccan Sabha for a long time and took prominent part in politics. He was also a Fellow of the Bombay University and examiner in Marathi for the M.A. Degree for several years. He may be called the father of Marathi fiction and historical novels.

BENARES FAMOUS FRUIT JAM (Murabba.)

AN EXCELLENT AND TASTEFUL TONIC FOR THE SEASON.

Purely manufactured and preserved with sugar. APPLES JAM, Rs. 3/8; PINE APPLES, Rs. 3 per seer. PEARS JAM, Rs. 3; AMBALA'S Rs. 2 per seer. Trial order solicited.

From
GOPALJEE BROTHERS, Benares City.

TO-MORROW'S RACES.

11TH EXTRA MEETING.

HANDICAPS AND HORSES LEFT IN.

(Horses in italics have been struck out after appearance of handicaps.)

THE WELLINGTON PLATE.—Distace 1½ miles.

Mordennis 10-8, Calder Vale 9-7, Ardtreck 9-4, William the Beau 9-4, Thunder 9-4, *First Flier*, 9-1, Dersingham 8-13, Giacomi 8-11, Sampier 8-8, Baronvale 8-7, Matchlock 8-6, Caryanda 8-4, *Ballaghtobin* 8-3, Screamer 8-3, Gunning 8-2, *County Cricket* 8-1 Cyanite 8-0, *Footman* 7-11 Summer Thyme 7-6, *Gladiator* 7-3, Eagle's Nest 7-1, *Red Quill*, 6-7.

THE ALEXANDRA PARK PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs 41 yards.

County Cricket 9-11, *Cyanite* 9-7, *Anthracite* 9-7, Resilience 9-1, Symrex 9-1, Francis Armand 9-0, Tootsie 8-12, Redspear 8-11, Knilworth 8-7, Cicatrix 8-7, *Fire Finch* 8-4 *Royal Band* 8-3, Birthday Clothes 8-0, Miss Rollestone 8-0, Stageland 7-11, Nerissa 7-7, Enchantment 7-6, Lemon 7-6, Glasebury 7-4, King's Head 7-0.

THE AINTREE PLATE.—Distance 1½ miles.

Cherry and Black 9-12, Vice Chamberlain 9-11, Yuan 9-10, Athlete 9-7, *Kim III* 9-6, Flotelle 8-11, Santicola 8-7, Decorum 7-13, *Mousme* 7-12, Saunterer 7-11, Gipsy's Advice 7-11, Veiled Certainty 7-10, Nice Bird 7-7, *Japonette* 7-6, Adelaide II 7-5, *Sunglare* 7-0, Rare Ruby 7-0, Mintspear 6-7.

THE NEWBURY PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs (straight).

Dori 10-6, Hello-Kells 9-4, Belle Syme 9-4, *Batten* 9-3, Trostan 8-12, Highfield Lady 8-10, Dollet 8-10, Serbia 8-9, Dilston 8-7, Renette 8-4 Golden Stream 8-3, Peach Melba 8-2, Meridian 8-1, Motor Wrap 8-0, Fari Lad 7-11, Arles 7-8, Impecunious 7-6, *Firpo* 7-4, Explosive 7-2, *Arras* 6-7.

THE VARSOVA PLATE.—Distance 1 mile.

THE VARSOVA PLATE.—Distance 1 mile Khundil 9-7, Durban 9-5, Mandil 9-3, Four Aces 9-0, Anaiza 8-2, Warminster 8-1, Gazal 7-12, Fury 7-12, Dictate 7-10, Good Morning 7-9, Mechanic 7-7, Union Jack 7-5, Rainbow 7-0, Rare Find 7-0, Angler 7-0.

THE PAREL PLATE. Division I.—Distance 6 furlongs 41 yards.

Lord Rosebery 9-5, *Warminster* 9-1, *Battleaxe* 9-3, Ferry Boat 9-2, *Good Morning* 8-13 *Bluey Lee* 8-13, Resident 8-13, *Dictate* 8-12, Najdi 8-12, Powder Puff 8-10, Bayonet 8-10 8-12, Powder Puff 8-10, Bayonet 8-10, Marmora 8-7, Argonaut 8-2, Aladdin 8-0, *Grey Stone* 7-13, *Medallion* 7-12 Good Luck 7-11, New Era 7-10, Natal 7-9, Subeh Pasha 7-9, *Beadmaker* 7-8, Shatra 7-5, Arabistan 7-5, *Chrysanthemum* 7-3.

THE PAREL PLATE. Division II.—Distance 6 furlongs 41 yards.

Grey Beauty 9-3, *Otherwise* 9-2, *Justice* 9-1, Fareed 8-13, *Colonial* 8-13 Contest 8-12, Taj 8-11, *Rainbow* 8-10, Harrington 8-10, Istamboul 8-9, Competition 8-9, *Marauder* 8-8, Sherdil 8-7, Financier 8-7, Sir Martin 8-6, *Walter* 8-5 Musketeer 8-4, *Snowdon* 8-4, Spinner late Chatham 8-3, Minion 8-1, Man of War 8-1, Ornate 8-1, Picture 8-0 *Ormuz* 7-13, Plum Tree 7-12, Summerton 7-12 *Last Day* 7-12, Escort 7-12 *Rockfeller* 7-10, Palestine 7-9, Attaquer 7-8 Last Chance 7-9, The Grafter 7-9, Little John 7-7, Nasaralla 7-7, *Firelock* 7-5, Shanavaz 7-5, Baltic 7-4, *Bowery* 7-4 Babil 7-2, *Rajputana* 7-1, *Aligarh* 7-1, My Royal 7-1, Viking 7-0, *Bower* 7-0.

PROHIBITION OF EXPORT OF PEARLS

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The armistice has enable the Government to relax its hold on the control of the Import as well as Export of many commodities in this country as well as abroad. Is it not unfair then that the Government of India has still not seen its way to cancel the Notification prohibiting the Export of pearls from India. It is long overdue. The peaceful and law-abiding pearl merchants have also contributed according to their mite to the speedy termination of the war in favour of the Allies. And have suffered still greatly in respect of their trade by its export being prohibited. The conditions, under which as it is alleged, the Government was forced to pass the Notification no longer exist, as has been stated properly in the Pearl Merchants' Association's recent Telegram, urging the cancelling of the said notification, to H. E. the Viceroy. Will the Government take early and necessary steps at once, now to enable the loyal and afflicted pearl merchants again to adjust well their spoiled business? Is it not, Sir, the proper duty also for you to raise the voice of these people in your Leaderette—again as you have done once or twice before?—Yours, etc.

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Feb. 27.

DEARTH OF KEROSINE OIL IN POONA.

NOT A BOTTLE AVAILABLE.

(Associated Press.)

POONA, March 3.

A great deal of uneasiness, and no little distress, has been caused among the poorer classes in Poona by the total lack of kerosine oil. Bazaars have run out of stock and not a single tin nor even a bottle of oil can be purchased locally. Stocks are said to exist in the hands of agents who will not part with them. What truth there is in this statement cannot be varified, but opinion in the bazaar is pretty general that stocks are being held up.

INFLUENZA IN ENGLAND.

GREAT HAVOC OF THE EPIDEMIC.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-15 p.m., March 3.

There were 3,046 deaths from influenza in the great towns of England and Wales last week compared with 1,363 in the previous week. London had 653 deaths compared with 272.

BACK TO INDIA.

RETURN OF OVERSEAS TROOPS.

The hired transport Burpeta disembarked yesterday the 12th Cavalry at No. 2 Alexandra Dock, and the Barjolo and a portion of the 102nd Grenadiers landed some time before. They were given a hearty welcome by General St. John and Officers of the Embarkation Staff, and by the Ladies of the Reception Committee, who officiated as waitresses in the well-dressed shed, where refreshments for both Officers and men were abundant. In addition to being entertained for over an hour, the British Officers were presented with silver match boxes as souvenirs and the Indian Officers and men with useful pouches.

The 12th Cavalry included four British Officers, seven Indian Officers, 360 rank and file and 37 followers; and the 102nd Grenadiers comprised 9 British Officers, one Sub-Assistant Surgeon, 14 Indian Officers and 1,106 rank and file and followers. All returned from Overseas.

The British Officers of the 12th Cavalry are Major Marriott, Captain Davidson, M.C., Captain Cowell and Lieut. Lowndes, and Indian Officers Ressildar Santa Singh and Jemadars Shamsher Ali, Roop Singh, Lal Singh, Thakat Singh, Bhau Singh and Lachman Singh.

The 102nd Grenadiers included Lieut.-Colonel A. C. Edwardes, Major C. P. F. Warton, Captain E. R. S. Dods, M.C., Captain J. A. Rogerson, Captain G. Hales, Lieut. J. C. Maloney, Lieut. F. B. Wilkinson, Lieut. A. E. Hayes Newington and Lieut. Drake, and Indian Officers Subedar-Majors Toto Singh, Girdhari Singh, Yar Mahomed Man Ram, Polu Ram, Jemadar Adjutant Roshan Khan, Jemadar Quartermaster Shindar Singh, Jemadar Seherain Singh, Chandan Singh, Hayat Ram, Mamraj Ram, Temdaz Singh, Chima Ram, Hayat Khan and Sub-Assistant Surgeon Bandrahan Shamra.

CITY'S MORTALITY.

141 DEATHS ON TUESDAY.

The total mortality figure on Sunday stood at 141. There was a single death from cholera and four from small-pox. There were only nine small-pox attacks and one cholera attack. The mortality figure on the corresponding day of last year was 143.

SIR W. MEYER AND INDIAN POLITICIANS.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Will you please find space in your worthy papers for the following?

It has of late been a hobby with the bureaucrats and ex-bureaucrats to question the sincerity and sacrifices of the Indian politicians in the cause of the Allies. To quote Sir William "It was a noticeable fact" says he, "that the politicians who had made no personal sacrifices for the cause of the Allies in the War, were eager to make capital of what their fellow-countrymen had done in the Indian armies which fought in Flanders, Mesopotamia, Palestine and East Africa, and to insist that a greater measure of Home Rule should be intended as a just reward." Sir William seems to forget that money-sacrifices by way of contribution to the various War and Relief Funds—and the Indian and English War Loans—are as well personal sacrifices. Have not our politicians contributed to these Funds and Loans? Why does he ignore the great help rendered to him as Finance Member and the Government by our leaders in and outside the Council and through the Press in raising the Loans? Perhaps he seems to hint that to make capial of our brother countrymen's achievements on the various battlefields is hypocracy unless we shed our own blood. But is Sir William not aware of the almost total banishment of educated Indians from military life? In spite of the cry of Indians how many military schools and colleges have been started for the training of Indians? Sir William may point to the failure of the Indian section of the I. D. F. as showing the selfish spirit of educated Indians. But need he be examined of the fact that no person with a bit of self-respect in him will submit to the humiliations and insults under which he has to serve on the Force? Again are these insults and humiliations to be tolerated only for a Student Sepoy's insignia? Can a Student Sepoy or a Sepoy aspire to a King's Commission? Yes, But what is the number of commissions granted up till now? Nine Commissions, about five cadetships in the Sandhurst College and about thirty more in the Indore School, a very grand total indeed for an army numbering over five lakhs and a population more than thirty-two crores. Bombay Presidency needs a warning that not a soul in the whole Presidency is fit to be a cadet even in the Indore School.—Yours, etc.

NATIONALIST.

Bandra, Feb. 27th, 1919.

HELP FOR STARVING BOHEMIA.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 1-20 p.m., March 3.

PARIS:—Ten truckloads of medicines and hospital supplies have been despatched to Prague and large supplies of foodstuffs are following shortly for the starving people in Bohemia.

VON LETTOW ARRIVES AT PLYMOUTH.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., March 3.

Von Lettow, the German Ex commander in East Africa, has arrived at Plymouth and proceeds to Holland. The other German prisoners on board were landed.

BRITISH WAR PRISONERS IN GERMANY.

3,000 NOT ACCOUNTED FOR.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-15 a.m., March 3.

Replying to a question in the Commons Mr. Guest said, the number of officers and other ranks officially accepted as war prisoners who had not yet been accounted for by Germans was approximately 3,000, including the Imperial and the Colonial troops and the Navy, but excluding Indians. It was not expected that many of these were alive. As the result of a recent search in Germany 16 sick and wounded ex-prisoners of war were reported remaining in Germany unable to be moved. Three medical orderlies were attending them in comfortable quarters in charge of the British and the French medical authorities, the American Y. M. C. A., and the Danish Red Cross. There was also a small number of men desirous of remaining in Germany for various reasons.

REPATRIATION OF GERMANS IN CHINA.

FOUR SHIPS CHARTERED FOR VOYAGE.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-15 a.m., March 3.

Reuter learns that four ships have been chartered for voyage from China to Europe for the repatriation of all Germans in China, excepting a few missionaries. The first ship sails early in March. 2,500 Germans including 1,200 women and children are involved.

MINISTRY OF WAYS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

ITS FUNCTIONS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 12-50 p.m., March 3.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Shortt introduced the Bill establishing the Ministry of Ways and Communications. He emphasised the necessity for cheap transport and development of industries, also the necessity for control and co-ordination of transport. The New Ministry would take over the control of the railways, the tramways, the canals, the waterways and the roads, and also control the supply of electricity. The New Ministry would maintain the control of the railways which the Government exercised in war time.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH BILL.

SECOND READING PASSED.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 1.40 p.m., March 4.

The House of Commons has passed the second reading of the Ministry of Health Bill transferring to the new department all the various powers at present exercised by different authorities with the object of securing co-ordination and concerted action. The Local Government Board is practically absorbed in the new department which also takes over the duties of the Ministry of Pensions as regards disabled soldiers.

MINERS' BALLOT FOR STRIKE

611,988 FOR AND 104,997, AGAINST.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Feb. 28.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., March 3.

Mr. Adamson in the Commons stated that the final Miners' Ballot showed 611,988 in favour of a strike and 104,997 against. There were 34,000 abstentions. Opinion in the Lobby regarding the prospects of a settlement is more hopeful than was indicated in the debate.

MARRIAGE OF PRINCESS PATRICIA.

CEREMONY TO BE A BRILLIANT SPECTACLE.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 2-30 p.m., March 3.

The wedding of Princess Patricia will take place at noon to-morrow. The ceremony will be a brilliant spectacle attended by all the members of the Royal Family and the Diplomatic Body and the Ministers. The Court mourning will be waived for the occasion. The bride with her father will drive in an open carriage to the Abbey where the Archbishop of Canterbury will conduct the service. Princess Patricia's own regiment of the Canada Light Infantry carrying its battle-worn colours will furnish the guard-of-honour and the sailors will line the nave.

The magnificent presents include beautiful overseas gifts, especially from Canada where Princess Patricia was most popular during her father's Governorship. The Maharajah Scindia has presented a motor-car, General Botha an ostrich fan and Lord and Lady Chelmsford a silver and gold-thread panel.

PRINCESS PATRICIA RENOUNCES TITLE.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 12-50 p.m., March 3.

The "Gazette" notifies that Princess Patricia upon her marriage, relinquished the title of Princess, becoming Lady Patricia Ramsay.

SINN FEIN ASSEMBLY.

"DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE."

PUBLIC LIMITS NUMBER OF SPEECHES.

The special correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" sent the following account of the opening session, on January 21, of the "Irish Constituent Assembly," organised by the Sinn Feiners:—

"An Dail Eireann," which means the Irish Constituent Assembly, or as near to that as one can get, met in the Dublin Mansion House this afternoon. It solemnly proclaimed Ireland's independence, appointed ambassadors to the Peace Conference, where they have not yet been bidden, passed an address to the free nations of the world, and made some pretence of framing orders for its domestic procedure. It managed this in little more than an hour and a half, and adjourned for a private sitting to-morrow.

Despite its importance, the session was not thrilling. The Irish patriot suffers one galling disadvantage; that is an ignorance of his own native tongue. Off the shores of the Atlantic, not one in a hundred can do more than pass the time of day in Gaelic, though in a recent revial of the study there are many industrious students. But however convenient, it would, of course, have gravely offended the national spirit to carry on the debates of the National Assembly in the language of the Sassenach, and the result was a self-denying ordinance which kept some of the members quite silent and even reduced others to mere French. I do not know Gaelic myself, but competent and sympathetic critics tell me that except in two or three cases, where the speaker was evidently speaking his cradle tongue, to-day's oratory, nearly always read from manuscript, was more literary than fluent.

28 M. P.'s AND 2,000 AUDITORS.

Twenty-eight Sinn Fein members of Parliament were here. Nearly all the rest of the 73 are in English prisons. But in the Round Room of the Mansion House there must have been at least two thousand others in an improvised Strangers' Gallery. Many other thousands waited outside, but a strong body of the Sinn Fein Volunteers kept an effective and sometimes a rather stupid guard.

By one of those coincidences which only happen in Ireland, the repatriated captives of the Dublin Fusiliers had been lunching at the Mansion House to-day. As they walked out to the tune of "God Save the King" the Republicans walked in.

It was a very quiet and rather a stilted National Assembly. Probably nine-tenths of those who were there did not know what it was saying, and when the instructed raised a cheer, the Speaker broke into English to tell them that the rules of Parliament did not allow it. The Mansion House, which gives its hospitality to all comers, had provided a few seats for the benches and roped off from what ought to have been the gallery. These made the House.

Count Plunkett, who has recently been disinterned, and Professor John MacNeill, who after a long sentence of penal servitude for his part in the 1916 rising shared the benefit of the general amnesty, led in the House as vice-presidents of Sinn Fein. They sat solitarily in the front row, one on either side of the gangway, and it was these two who carried through what one understood to be the election of the Speaker. It was a cut-and-dried affair, in keeping with the rest of the proceedings, and one fancies, that Mr. Charles Burgess, the member for Waterford County, owes his eminence chiefly to a fluent knowledge of the Gaelic. He displayed it well, and called the roll of the Irish members with full solemnity. Sir Edward Carson, Colonel Craig, and all the other Orangemen were duly summoned without the suggestion of a laugh, and one of the three clerks at the table answered "Absent" with equal gravity. More usually it was an exclamation of "Imprisoned."

Sinn Fein has not developed an Opposition yet, and all the questions propounded were carried unanimously without being put. They include a declaration of Ireland's full independence, an address to the nations of the world, and a statement of domestic policy. Their face value may easily be cheapened, but looking at the Assembly to-day, and recognising most of the gallery as men who pay the income-tax, that would be dangerous. "An Dail Eireann" as one has seen it to-day may be inarticulate but it has said a good deal.

SINN FEIN DEMONSTRATION IN BELFAST GAOL.

Further trouble occurred yesterday in Belfast Gaol. A large body of Sinn Fein prisoners took part in a demonstration in that part of the prison where political offenders are confined. Considerable damage was done to windows and doors. The police had to be called in by the prison authorities, and it is stated that a number of demonstrators had to be handcuffed.

WRITS IGNORED.

The Kerry County Council at a special meeting last night, decided to ignore writs issued at the suit of the Attorney General against them for electing Mr. John McKenna as their chairman and Mr. Austin Stack as chairman of the Dingle Railway. The appointments were declared to be *ultra vires*, as both men were disqualified by law from holding office. Mr. McKenna, who presided at the meeting, was released at Christmas from Belfast Prison, where he was serving a sentence of twelve months' imprisonment, while Mr. Austin Stack, the Sinn Fein member for West Kerry, is still in the same prison.

"DANGEROUS AND SUBVERSIVE."

BILL BASED ON MUTILATED REPORT.

HON. MR. KHAPARDE'S MINUTE OF DISSENT.

(From our Correspondent.)

DELHI, March 3.

As Pandit Malaviya and Messrs. Khaparde and Patel did not sign the Select Committee's report on the Criminal Emergency Bill, their minutes of dissent were ruled out and not included in the report the practice being that members signing a report are entitled to append dissenting minutes.

The following is the minute of Mr. G. S. Khaparde:—The debate in the Council and the meetings of the Select Committee appointed to consider the provisions of the Bill in detail have made it abundantly clear to me, after long and anxious consideration that the principles or rather the departures from principles which this Bill embodies cannot possibly commend themselves for acceptance.

Its first part provides for the proclamation of any area in British India without any reference to the Indian Legislative Council; it constitutes a tribunal which need not be unanimous in its condemnatory findings and from the decision of which no appeals of any kind or in any form are permitted. An examination of the accused is allowed on oath which in the present state of India and its judiciary is highly unsafe, and the relaxation of the rules of admissibility at the relevancy of evidence renders the whole part in my opinion dangerous.

2. Part 2 and 3 substitute the executive for the judiciary and the liberty and property of subjects can be interfered with without the intervention of a court of justice. This is to my mind inconceivable in times of peace. The proclamation of an area is again valid without any reference to the Indian Legislative Council, and the provisions call into existence an Investigating Authority which has neither executive nor judicial functions, work in *camera* can make no recommendations and whose conclusions are not binding on the local government. This introduces a state of things so anomalous and so antagonistic to any scheme of good Government that probably a parallel to it cannot be found in any system of jurisprudence worthy of the name.

3. Part four adjusts the provisions of the Bill with previous legislation and part five contains a provision which directly contravenes the judgement of the priorly Council in momentous case, and this as a whole is beyond the competence of the Indian Legislative Council to pass, not only because of this transgression of its power but also because of other provisions affecting the liberty and property of British Indians and their allegiance to the Crown during time of peace.

4. The schedule and the whole framework of the Bill shows without any possibility of a mistake that the main question, the determination of which in the affirmative confers jurisdiction on the special tribunal created and the investigating authorities brought into existence, is to be decided not by any judicial authority but by the executive. It is whether the offence or offences which are alleged to have been committed by an accused are connected with any movement endangering the safety of the state. It is a fundamental question of fact and cannot be left to be determined by a local government which of necessity has to depend on reports and uncross-examined testimony.

5. The report of the Sedition Committee on which the Bill is based and to carry out the recommendation of which it has been framed and introduced is itself the result of an inquiry held *in camera* at two places, viz., Lahore and Calcutta and is given to the Council in a mutilated and incomplete form without the evidence and papers which throw any light or supply any justification for it.

6. In these circumstances I regret I cannot give my concurrence to any provisions of the Bill and the circumstances that it has been rendered temporary does not constitute any material improvement at all.

G. S. KHAPARDE.

PROTEST MEETINGS AT AHMEDABAD.

PASSIVE RESISTANCE ADVOCATED.

(Associated Press.)

AHMEDABAD, March 3.

A public meeting of the citizens of Ahmedabad was held on Sunday, under the presidentship of Mr. Maganlal C. Patel, to protest against the Rowlatt Bills. Mr. Jivanlal V. Desai, Mr. Chimanlal Chinaiwala, and Mr. Kalidas Jhaveri addressed the meeting.

Another public meeting was held to-day, under the presidentship of Mr. Jivanlal V. Desai, when the president, Mr. I. K. Yajnik, Mr. Chinaiwala and Mr. Jadawaji Gandhi explained the object of the meeting, and supported the Passive Resistance movement started by Mr M K. Gandhi.

"NEW TIMES" ON THE CRISIS.

(From a Correspondent.)

KARACHI, March 3.

With reference ti the declaration of passive resistance by Mahatma Gandhi, the "New Times" says, the present attitude of Government is a challenge thrown in the face of 307 millions of India and if Indians do not meet the challenge in the right spirit and under the wise "Satvic" guidance of the great hero of South African struggle, they may as well write down their epitaph "Here lies a race

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THE QUALITY OF DISSENT.

The Select Committee of the Viceregal Council on the main Rowlatt Bill has issued its report. Messrs. Malaviya, Patel and Khaparde have refused to sign it, and have thus exhibited in a signal manner the courage of their convictions. Messrs. Surendranath Banerjea, Srinivasa Sastri, and Mian Muhamad Shafi have signed it and written a note of dissent. What is the quality of that dissent? If it had been keen, if the three Moderate leaders had taken an accurate measure of the feeling of grave apprehension in the public mind regarding the manner in which the Executive will utilise the Rowlatt legislation, this dissent would have been bolder in expression, perhaps it would have induced them to stand with the other three who refused to have anything to do with the attempted hammering into legislative shape of the Rowlatt Bill; but Messrs. Sastri and Surendranath Banerjea apparently do not think that the Executive will utilise these powers badly, or that the C. I. D. will exercise the powers it will come to possess in a most pernicious manner. They say in their dissenting minute: "We disapprove of the policy and the principles of the Bill and must reserve our right to oppose it altogether." Yet they rest content with making a few suggestions and observations, their conduct exposing them to the justified attack that they cannot suggest amendment in detail in a matter wherein they differ absolutely in principle. The majority report reiterates with needless emphasis the fact that the alterations it has suggested have been such as will not impair the principles of the Bill. Those who sign the majority report distinctly assert that they "do not propose to refer to the numerous amendments which were suggested in this Bill in so far as they were destructive of the general principles of the Bill"; and they proceed to observe airily, "amendments of this kind should be brought forward in Council, which is the appropriate arena for their discussion." This indicates how strenuous must have been the battle fought by Messrs. Malaviya, Patel and Khaparde in the Select Committee.

We are surprised to find that the three Moderate leaders who disapprove of the recommendations of the majority report in each of the important clauses, have chosen to sign the latter report content only with a minute of dissent. Unfortunately the fact, of which the majority report makes a good deal, that the Bill is now limited in duration of legislative efficacy only to three years, and that its objects have been restricted to offences connected with anarchical and revolutionary crime, —this amendment, we are afraid, is illusory,—has apparently influenced them in its favour so much that tacitly they seem to consent to its being placed on the Statute Book. They tell us they are against it in principle. Are they then for it for three years with the full willingness to surrender their objection to it on principle for a definite amount of time? Are they so sure that the phrase revolutionary crime will not embrace in the wider applications of it by the C. I. D., incitement to disaffection, which will eventually lead again to that most mischievous of discursions—what is disaffection?

The humanity of the majority report is really embarrassing. The majority members state that all the recommendations they have made have been "in favour of the accused." Perhaps the amendments in favour of the accused do not, after all, really affect the issue, which is clearly brought out in the difference of opinion regarding the vital clause 21. The majority report keeps it as it is, only limiting the purpose for which security can be taken under it to the definite cases set out in the Bill. The dissenting note looks upon the presence of clause 21 with great suspicion. It says "it is part of our general objection to the Bill that no restriction should be imposed on the personal liberty of a citizen, except as the result of a conviction in a court of law." This is indeed an extremely satisfactory manner of stating the case for the Indian people; but Messrs. Surendranath, Sastri and Shafi fall back into the moderate mire. "Assuming however", they proceed to state, "that it is necessary to give the Executive Government such extraordinary powers we indicate below certain points on which we differ from the majority report." We can only express our deep regret that we should, at this time in the political history of India, have in her highest house of legislature men who are ready to entertain such an hypothesis. Mr, Surendranath Banerjea has fought the battle for India's rights in vain during all these years if at present be can even for a moment assume that the Executive should have such extraordinary powers. After this, the final paragraph of the dissenting note which mentions the fact that "the Bill embodies principles wholly at variance with the principles of the ordinary criminal law" appears to us to be futile in its effect.

SUB-ASSISTANT SURGEONS AND THE WAR.

During the critical times of the War the response made by Indian Civil Sub-Assistant Surgeons to the call of military duty was exemplary and won the encomiums of responsible high authorities. Some of these men have volunteered for field service abroad and many more have relieved the Military Sub-Assistant Surgeons in India and thus Government, with the help of this subordinate class, have successfully tided over the threatened serious shortage and consequent dislocation in the Medical department. But, while such has been the loyal response of the S.-A. S. class, it is regrettable that Government have done little, so far, to compensate them for the hardships which they have been called to undergo. The Civil Sub-Assistant Surgeons are amongst the most miserably paid Government employees of similar standing and educational qualifications. Though undergoing almost the same course and for an equal number of years, as the Assistant Surgeon, the "Sub-Assistant," is given a start of Rs. 50 only (except in Bombay, where the starting pay is still Rs. 30) and in his whole career he cannot, as a general rule, aspire to anything more than Rs. 100. No doubt, his general educational qualification is a little lower than that of the Assistant Surgeon, but that is no reason why so useful and efficient a class of medical assistants should be kept in chronic poverty.

To-day, however, we are concerned with the grievances of those who have volunteered—or rather, who have been forced to volunteer—for military duty, especially of those who are doing military duty in India, at the various war hospitals, camps and so on. It must be said to the credit of the authorities that the lot of the Sub-Assistant Surgeons who have volunteered for duty abroad has been considerably improved by the concessions granted to them recently. But the grievances of those doing military duty in India are still unredressed. They have been hit the hardest. They are not only not getting any adequate compensations for their harder duties, but their position has been rendered in many degrees worse off than that of their brethren in civil employ. Those who are doing field duty have been granted the following concessions: A bonus of Rs. 300, compensation for loss of private practice at the rate of Rs. 50 per mensem, civil pay plus military pay, exemption from grade examination and each year of military service to be counted as two years' service for promotion, etc. Now, those who are obliged to do military duty in India and who may be called upon to proceed at a moment's notice from one end of the country to another, get no bonus whatever, no compensation for loss of private practice, no civil plus military pay, no permanent exemption from grade examination and no counting of one year's service as two years' for purposes of promotion. The temporary promotion to the next grade which he may have earned during the period of war has been made liable to confirmation only after passing the examination within one year after reversion. If he fails in the examination—it will be no wonder if he does so, after unlearning everything during military service—then he will have made progress only backward, for it will mean loss of so many years' service—for no fault of his own! On the other hand, his lot, from both the professional and pecuniary points of view, is worse than that of his brethren who have remained in civil employ.

The Sub-Assistant on temporary military duty has no field for private practice and his military pay (Rs. 60) is practically the same as his civil pay. He has no scope for improving his professional knowledge, for, when on military duty, he cannot come in contact with a single case of medical jurisprudence, midwifery, etc. Though he has undergone a full four years' course and his qualification is a registrable one, still no actual responsible medical work is entrusted to him. He has to do harder duties than his brother in civil employ. The work is, moreover, mainly of such a clerical nature that no professional man can take any interest in it, as it does not improve his knowledge a bit. Again, he is liable to be transferred to different provinces, and has to lead an unsettled life, far away from his family. For all these hardships and disabilities, are there any compensations? None. His total income is reduced to Rs. 60—we speak only of the last grade men—and not even an Indian commission is promised to him after four or more years of loyal and faithful service. The Surgeon-General of Bombay is, no doubt, aware of the deep discontent among the Sub-Assistant Surgeon class and had occasion, in a despatch to the Government of India, to say: "Service in the military department is very unpopular. Their grievances appear to me to be very real." We hope Government will recognise that these men, whom they have transferred to military service against their inclination and who stand to lose a good deal, financially and otherwise, in comparison with their brethren in the Civil line, deserve some adequate compensation for their loyal service and for the hardships they have been called upon to face. They should be given (1) at least two months' pay as bonus, (2) permanent exemption from grade examination, (3) accelerated promotion by one year for every year of military duty and (4) compensation for loss of professional practice at the rate of Rs. 50 for the last grade and proportionately for the higher grades. The Indian commission should also be thrown open to them as a measure of special recognition of their war services.

Notes of the Day.

"Indian" Navy.

Mr. Walter Long announces that the Imperial Government has offered Australia and Canada a number of destroyers and submarines and that requests by other Dominions would be sympathetically considered. India, being neither a Dominion nor a Colony, and having, for the matter of that, perhaps no one inclined to make a request on her behalf—thanks to the policy of denial in favour now at Simla and Delhi when Imperial interests are concerned—will continue to be in naval matters what she has always been in other respects—the Cinderella of the Empire. Lord Jellicoe is due here in a few days and rumours are rife that one of the first results of his visit will be the saddling on long-suffering India of a fresh burden in the shape of a Navy, which it will be miscalled her "own."

Duty of People's Representatives.

The Indian Navy will be her "own", like many other things that are saddled on her—only, she will have no control whatever over it, nor will Indians be allowed to man it. A vehement and timely protest must be made against such unjust proposals when they take shape. The military burdens of India are more than what she can bear and so long as all control and share is denied to her in the Navy she must resolutely oppose any attempt to impose on her a fresh naval burden. If the East Indies squadron requires strengthening, the British Fleet ought to be able to spare some vessels as it has done for Australia and Canada. In view of disarmament proposals and especially in view of the declared readiness of the Imperial Government to consider requests for war vessels, the Government of India should lose no time in moving in the matter in the interests of India. At all events, the representatives of the people should bestir themselves betimes and see that the Navy that India may be asked to maintain should in all essential respects of personnel and control be Indian.

Trade of India.

Mr. Findlay Shirras' review of the trade of India in 1917-18, though a belated document, deserves attention, containing as it does useful information alike to industrialists and economists—especially as it indicates roughly future developments and the lines on which progress in trade is likely to take. The war, there can be no doubt, has been a great impetus to industrial development, though the progress achieved in the establishment of indigenous industries has not been, thanks to the absence of any constructive policy on the part of the Government, as great as it might have been. And, for the same reason, considerable portion of the profits, as a result of the overseas trade, has been reaped by foreign capitalists.

Producer of Raw Materials.

The value of this trade was nearly Rs. 393 crores as against Rs. 395 crores in the previous year and Rs. 370 crores, the pre-war average. In exports, there was a decrease of 1 per cent., while imports were approximately the same in value as in the preceding year. The exports consisted of commodities of vital or national importance, such as food-grains—the total value of the latter amounted to nearly Rs. 54 crores as against Rs. 46 crores, the pre-war average—jute (Rs. 43 crores as against Rs. 20 crores), tea (Rs. 18 crores as against Rs. 13 crores) and tanned hides (Rs. 5 crores as against only Rs. 1½ crores). All this means—making allowance for the needs of war—that India is still an exporter of valuable raw materials and, to that extent, a great loser so far as industrial development is concerned.

Japan's Opportunity.

The analysis of imports also brings home India's backwardness in industry and the extent to which she is dependent on foreign countries, like Japan and the United States, for articles of daily use. Mr. O'Conor, late Director-General of Statistics, wrote in the Review of Trade for 1888-89 regarding the trade of Japan, that "Imports from Japan are quite trifling, averaging less than three lakhs annually in the last five years, and there are no indications of an increase unless the imports of copper should be resumed." When the long list of imports at the present time is examined, the progress in India's trade with Japan cannot be termed other than phenomenal. In 1917-18 the total trade with Japan exceeded that with other countries except the United Kingdom and was valued at Rs. 52 crores. This was an increase of 400 per cent. in imports and 103 per cent. in exports over the pre-war average. The value of the trade with the United States had grown to twice what it was in the pre-war period, being second only to that with Japan. Half of the import trade with the United States was made up of iron, steel and mineral oil, while the trade with Japan was chiefly in the import of cotton manufactures, matches, metals, silk manufactures and glassware and in the export of raw cotton. Thus, while Japan and the United States have made capital out of the opportunity offered by war, the Government of India are still considering what constructive policy should be adopted to foster the country's industries.

"The Bolshevik Bureaucracy."

Thus "The Independent":

Heaps of awful things have been said about the terrific doings of the "Bolshevist" in Russia and it is not unnatural that some of the most vehement denunciations should have emanated from depths of ignorance or prejudice. In the "Illustrated London News", Mr. G. K. Chesterton tells his readers that it is a great blunder to consider Bolshevism as bosh without clearly understanding what kind of bosh. Bosh or no bosh, whether one agrees or not with Mr. Chesterton's notions of "Boche Bosh", there is no reason why people should not attempt to understand Bolshevism, why they should reply the social confusion in certain territories, Teuton or Slav, with "mental confusion" merely. Mr. Chesterton begins with the word "Bolshevist" which, he believes, simply means "Extremist", and says:

"A Bolshevist might mean an extreme Ritualist or an extreme Spiritualist or an extreme Teetotaler, or even an extreme Royalist—a devoted and fanatically faithful adherent of the Tsar."

The Anglo-Indian journals that speak of the Indian "Bolshevist" may well bear in mind that there is a case of the pot calling the kettle black. The Bureaucracy forging fresh fetters for Indians is playing a Bolshevist part in administration and the "Bolshevik Bureaucracy" would do well to halt and contemplate the coals of fire with which it is playing.

Racial Bar in Telegraph Department.

Recently Government announced substantial increments to the higher branch of the Telegraph Department. The omission of the junior and clerical branches from the benefit of these increments has naturally created considerable discontent among them. So far as Indians in this Department are concerned, this is not the only ground of grievance. A correspondent draws attention to a standing grievance. He writes:—

The telegraphists in the general service are double the number in the local service and are recruited mainly from a class called "Non-Indians", which chiefly consists of candidates bearing a Christian name and professing the Christian religion and calling themselves "Anglo-Indians", "Portuguese" or "Eurasian." At present, in the general service, the percentage of the above class of Non-Indians is 90 per cents, the remaining ten per cent. being Indians. In the local service, 90 per cent. are Indians.

Now the first question that arises is why is the Telegraph Department kept as a preserve for one class of His Majesty's Indian subjects and that too on a higher scale of pay with an additional allowance in the shape of house rent, while only a limited number of the other class, viz., Hindus and Mussalmans, are allowed admission on a lower scale of pay. It need not be mentioned that there is absolutely no difference in the nature of the duties performed by either class. The one class draws higher pay plus house rent allowance, while the other class draws lower pay with no house rent. The higher scale of pay is not based on any higher qualifications of the candidates, but solely on their creed. Though the conditions of general service require them to go on transfer to any part of India and Burma, it will be seen that this is only an excuse for giving higher emoluments to a favoured class. The majority of the local service telegraphists are willing to accept the conditions of the general service, as is seen by the large number of applicants each year when a limited number is transferred from the local service to the general service.

A Just Grievance.

The correspondent proceeds:—

When these transfers from local to general service were announced, it was the hope of the Indian element in the local cadre that they would get a substantial share of them, numbering as they did 90 per cent. But their hopes were soon frustrated when they found that a large portion of these transfers were made from the small number of non-Indians in the local scale. When, even the higher services in other departments are restricted locally in each Presidency, it is futile to pretend that only telegraphists cannot be obtained within the limits of the several Presidencies. If proper attempts were made to recruit qualified men by open competitive examinations and a few more training classes opened in each province, there should be no need whatever for interprovincial transfers. Now the worst features of the present system is that a higher scale of pay is allowed to one class based not on merit, but on colour or creed, which is clearly against the gracious proclamation of Her late Majesty the Queen Victoria. Now what the Indians in the general service urge in the first place is that there should be one scale of pay for all who are to be recruited by open examination.

Secondly, as an alternative (however unfair we consider this first proposal to be), they urge that at least those of them, who serve in Presidency offices with their attendant evils of high rents, costly living, and more arduous duties during night and day, some substantial allowance in the shape of house rent or Presidency allowance should be given to them.

The grievance is obviously a just and crying one and Government should see that it is soon redressed, without seeking refuge in the fatuous and familiar plea about the special qualifications of the favoured class. The public is in no mood to tolerate racial bar in any service.

Export of Pearls.

We commented the other day on the hasty order issued by the Government, prohibiting the export of pearls from India. That order was sought to be justified on the ground of war conditions. These conditions now no longer exist and in view of the removal or relaxation of restrictions in regard to several other commodities, it is only fair and just that Government should immediately revoke the order regarding the prohibition of the export of pearls and thus afford relief to a needlessly harassed section of the mercantile community.

Official and Personal.

Her Excellency Lady Lloyd was present at the Finals of the Western India Lawn Tennis Tournament and gave away the prizes on Saturday afternoon.

Their Excellencies the Governor and Lady Lloyd attended Services at St. Peter's Church, Masagon, on Sunday morning.

Their Excellencies Sir George and Lady Lloyd gave a Ball at Government House, yesterday evening.

Sir George Lloyd, Governor of Bombay, figures as joint author with the Hon. Edward Wood, M.P., of "The Great Opportunity", a new publication by John Murray.

There was a small dinner party at Government House, on Saturday night.

MINERS' CONFERENCE.

EXECUTIVE'S RECOMMENDATION.

TO POSTPONE STRIKE TILL MARCH 22.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 2-30 p.m., March 3.

The miners' conference in London yesterday was private. It is stated that Mr. Smillie announced that the executive recommended the postponement of strike until March 22nd, and suggested a full discussion of the Government's proposals after which the conference should adjourn to permit the delegates from various districts to meet separately to consider the position. The conference adopted the suggestion.

There was afterwards a protracted general discussion on the recommendation to postpone strike. There was much opposition to this especially from the younger men. The conference adjourned in the evening and reassembles this afternoon to hear the decision of the district delegates. The South Wales delegates met last evening and decided to support the Executive's recommendation.

NEW LABOUR TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

PACT FOR CONCENTRATED ACTION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-15 a.m., March 3.

A Conference of the so-called triple alliance of the miners, the railwaymen and the transport workers was held in London to-day to discuss the industrial position, especially in regard to the collieries with a view to concerted action. It was decided to adjourn until each member of the alliance had an opportunity for further negotiations, also that no section of the alliance should agree to any settlement until the conference again met. Snch a meeting to be held before March 15th.

DRAMATIC CHANGE IN SITUATION,

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 11-40 a.m. March 3.

The New Labour Triple Alliance pact is regarded as increasing the gravity of the industrial situation, because it means that the three great organisations are pledged to united action to secure their demands, but the Premier's announcement that the report on the miners' hours and wages could be ready by March 20th has dramatically changed the strike situation.

A member of the Miners' Executive stated last night that the National Conference of the miners would to-day be recommended to postpone the date of the strike from March 15th to March 22nd on condition that the Miners' Federation was allowed to choose its own representatives on the Royal Commission.

It is understood that the Premier replied expressing his willingness that the Federation should nominate four out of the eight miners' representatives on the Commission. It is for the Conference to-day to decide whether to accept the compromise.

COAL COMMISSION BILL.

READ A THIRD TIME.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-15 a.m., March 3.

In the course of the discussion on the Coal Commission Bill in the House of Commons, Mr. Lloyd George announced that Mr. Justice Sankey, who was the Chairman of the Coal Commission had promised that if the miners were represented on the Commission the report dealing with the wages and the hours would be submitted by March 20th. Mr. Brace welcomed the statement. The Bill passed through the committee stage and was then read a third time.

The House of Lords has passed the Coal Commission Bill.

JUSTICE SANKEY IN CONFERENCE WITH PREMIER.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., March 3.

Mr. Justice Sankey, chairman of Statutory Commission had a long conference with Mr. Lloyd George last evening.

MR. BARNES ON DRAFT OF LABOUR CHARTER.

FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE TO MEET IN AUTUMN.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 1-20 p.m., March 3.

PARIS:—Mr. Barnes in an interview with Reuter, said the British Draft of the Labour Charter which the International Labour Legislation Commission had endorsed provided for the Annual International Conference of the State officials, employees and employers at the headquarters of the League of Nations, an International Executive to carry on the work between the Conferences and an International Secretariat which would collect and issue information regarding the Labour questions.

He hoped that the first conference would be held in the Autumn. The conference would consider the proposals of the Executive for the conventions regulating the outstanding questions. He hoped that much bitter international competition would be thus eliminated. Provision would be made to ensure that the States should give effect to the conventions.

DISPOSAL OF GERMAN FLEET.

TO BE DECIDED BY PARIS CONFERENCE.

THREE ALTERNATIVES SUGGESTED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 1-20 p.m., March 3.

Replying to a question by Lord Islington in the House of Lords regarding the disposal of the German fleet Lord Lytton said the question was one of utmost interest and considerable difficulty and must be decided by the Paris Conference. The proposal to sink these ships would only be carried out if the representatives of the Nations assembled in Paris unanimously concluded that that was the best course. The British attached the utmost importance to the view that the ships should no continue to form part of any naval armaments. The Government was strongly of the opinion that the German ships must not again be used as ships of war, consequently there remained only three alternatives. firstly, they might be sunk, secondly they might be broken up and thirdly they might be sold by public auction under certain conditions. It was simply and solely an economic proposition whether it would pay to break them up and use them for other purposes.

FRENCH NAVAL LOSSES.

MARINE MINISTER'S RECOMMENDATION

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-15 p.m., March 3.

PARIS.—The Minister of Marine in a statement to the Navy Committee of the Chamber said that hitherto it had been impossible to make good the French naval losses. The only just and practical way of reconstituting the French Navy was to recover a part of the lost tonage from the enemy.

AUSTRALIAN NAVY.

IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT'S OFFER.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-30 p.m., March 3.

In the House of Commons replying to Lieutenant-Colonel Burgoyne, Mr. Walter Long stated that the Imperial Government had offered the Australian Commonwealth Government six modern destroyers and six modern submarines. Two submarines had been presented to Canada. The requests made by the other Dominions would be sympathetically considered.

Mr. Walter Long emphasised that the Australian navy was in an advanced stage of development.

CONFERENCE OF GOVERNORS' AND MAYORS IN U. S.

AMERICAN NAVAL PROGRAMME.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 1-40 p.m., March 3.

WASHINGTON:—President Wilson has convened a Conference of the Governors of the States and the Mayors of larger cities at White House for March 3rd to discuss the vital questions affecting business and labour.

The Senate Naval Committee favourably reported upon the 720 Million Dollar Naval Appropriation Bill and recommended a permanent increase in the strength from 225,000 to 250,000 on the ground that they were mainly required to expedite the return of the American troops.

At the Naval Conference to-day President Wilson again emphasised the necessity for the provision of a new three-year programme this session.

SIX MILLION DOLLAR WAR REVENUE BILL.

SIGNED BY PRESIDENT WILSON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-40 a.m., March 3.

WASHINGTON.—It is announced that the President signed the Six Billion Dollar War Revenue Bill on the train *en route* to Washington.

INTERNATIONAL SEAFARERS' CONFERENCE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 11-40 a.m., March 3.

The International Seafarers' Conference in London to-day passed a resolution demanding the establishment of international rate of wages and the reference of the question of wages to the Peace Conference. A committee was appointed to fix the rate.

FUTURE OF BAVARIA.

INSTITUTION OF SOVIET REPUBLIC URGED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-15 p.m., March 3.

COPENHAGEN.—A telegram from Munich says a Conference of 200 representatives of the workers, soldiers and peasants councils held in Landtag, loudly applauded the suggestion that the congress should constitute itself the Provisional National Council.

A deputation announced that a meeting of 5,000 workers demanded the immediate proclamation of a Soviet Republic, the institution of relations with the Russian Soviet Republic and the annulment of the state debts.

BAVARIAN MINISTERS DISAPPEAR.

SUPPOSED TO BE IN CONCEALMENT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-40 a.m., March 3.

BERLIN.—The Bavarian Ministers Simm and Hoffmann who were wounded in the recent shooting affray in the Diet have disappeared from Munich and are now concealed.

The martial law continues but the town is quiet and work has been resumed.

BADEN PROVISIONAL PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., March 3.

COPENHAGEN.—A telegram from Mannheim says the Majority Socialists and the Independent Communists have reached an agreement declaring that the Republic proclaimed by the Communists is non-existent.

The parties acknowledge the Baden Provisional People's Government and undertake to abolish the martial law and surrender all arms and ammunition.

FIGHT BETWEEN NATIONAL GUARDS AND COMMUNISTS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., March 3.

AMSTERDAM.—A telegram from Prague says, severe fighting took place throughout the whole of Saturday and the Communists occupied most of the public buildings. Students and the National Guard joined battle with the Communists and entered the town and cleared them out of most buildings.

ALSACE-LORRAINE SUPREME COUNCIL.

GERMAN SUGGESTION FOR A PLEBISCITE REJECTED

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-15 p.m., March 3.

PARIS.—At the first meeting of the Alsace-Lorraine Supreme Council a resolution was passed rejecting the German suggestion for a plebiscite and affirming the determination to remain French.

BRITISH OVERSEAS BANK.

FACILITIES FOR BRITISH TRADE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 12-50 p.m., March 3.

The British Overseas Bank, mentioned in the cable of 25th February, includes the Union Bank of Scotland and the Williams Deacons Bank. It is understood that the capital will be about two millions sterling.

The scheme represents an entirely new development of the British banking enterprise. It will aim at providing additional facilities for the British mport and export trade and developing closer working arrangements between the constituent banks, each of which covers a different territory. The new Bank will establish branches abroad thus saving the participating Banks from each having to open separate branches abroad in order to cater for business outside the territory in which they now operate.

DEATH OF MR. W. C. ANDERSON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-40 a.m., March 3.

The death is announced of Mr. W. C. Anderson, ex-Labour M.P.

The late Mr. William C. Anderson, M.P., belonged to the Independent Labour Party and was a member of the National Administration Council. He contested Parliamentary elections for Hyde in 1910 and also at the last election

DURATION OF SUMMER TIME.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-40 a.m., March 3.

The summer time will be in operation from March 30th to September 29th.

EXPLORERS OF NORTH POLE.

SAFE RETURN OF CANADIAN PARTY

KEENAN'S LAND NON-EXISTENT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 1.40 p.m., March 4.

NEW YORK.—A message from Alaska says Mr. Storker Storkerson and five other explorers who got on to a floating ice pack in the Polar basin last May in an effort to float across the North Pole "landed safely" on November 7th. Mr. Storkerson was Mr. Stefansson's assistant.

STORKERSEN'S RETURN AFTER THRILLING ADVENTURES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 7-10 p.m., March 3.

OTTAWA.—The Canadian explorer Stefansson says, Storkersen's arrival at the Alaskan coast ends the work of the Canadian Arctic expedition. Stefansson intended to command the party, but was taken ill with typhoid.

Storkersen left the Cross Islands north of the coast of Alaska on March 15th last year. The party, consisting of nine whites and four Esquimaux, travelled a fortnight northwards, when four of the men were sent back. The party then drifted with an ice-pack, carrying no provisions and subsisting on the meat of seals and polar bears.

It is expected that they were carried westward, but drifted round in a great eddy drift and reached 74 degrees north—150 miles farther north than any one has hitherto gone in this part of the Arctic. It is established that the so-called Keenan's Land is non-existent.

UNLICENSED IMPORTATION OF DYE-STUFFS.

PROHIBITORY ORDER.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-30 p.m., March 3.

A proclamation is gazetted prohibiting the unlicensed importation of dye stuffs.

M. CLEMENCEAU OUT OF DANGER.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., March 3.

PARIS.—The doctors declare that M. Clemenceau is out of danger.

LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 2-30 p.m., March 3.

PARIS.—M. Clemenceau took his first outing to-day at Versailles. He was cheered by the crowd.

S. AFRICAN NATIONAL DEPUTATION.

ADMIRAL'S OFFER TO CONVEY ACCEPTED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-15 p.m., March 3.

CAPE, TOWN, Feb. 22.—A meeting of the Nationalist members of the Parliament decided to accept the Admiral's offer of a warship to convey the Nationalist Deputation to England.

STATEMENT BY FIRST LORD OF ADMIRALTY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 12-50 p.m., March 4.

Replying to Mr. Betterton in the House of Commons, Mr. Walter Long stated that the Imperial Government had not suggested nor approved the offer of Admiral Fisherbert to convey the Nationalist Deputation to Europe on board a cruiser.

CANADIAN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MR. MACKENZIE APPOINTED LEADER OF OPPOSITION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-30 p.m., March 3.

OTTAWA.—Mr. D. D. Mackensie, K.C., has been appointed Leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons until the Liberal Convention appoints a permanent successor to Mr. Laurier.

GERMANS CAPTURE WINDAU.

A VIOLENT BATTLE WITH BOLSHEVIKS

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 1-40 p.m., March 4.

COPENHAGEN.—A telegram from Berlin says after a simultaneous land and sea attack and a violent battle the Germans recaptured Windau from the Bolsheviks.

GIRGAUM WARD ELECTION.

DR. SATHAYE CHALLENGES VALIDITY.

ALLEGED IRREGULAR VOTING.

Dr. D. D. Sathaye, one of the unsuccessful candidates at the last Bombay Municipal Election held on the 20th January, 1919, has filed a petition in the court of his Honour Mr. K. M. Jhaveri, Chief Judge, Small Causes Court, Bombay, contesting the validity of the election in the Girgaum (D) Ward, in which Dr. Sathaye had appeared as a candidate. The defendants in the suit are the Municipal Commissioner and the candidates from Girgaum Ward who have declared elected. Dr. Sathaye sought to have the election set aside on the several grounds mentioned below:

(a) A number of votes were recorded in favour of the respondents by persons not entitled to vote and by persons personating others to the knowledge of some of the respondents or their agents.

(b) A number of votes were record by persons other than the real voters.

(c) A number of votes were recorded under defective powers of attorney.

(d) A number of voters had voted at more than one election.

(e) A number of votes had been wrongfully reckoned by the Commissioner.

(f) That one of the candidates Mr. R. B. Mantri, was disqualified to be nominated as a candidate by reason of his being directly interested in a contract made with him by and on behalf of the Municipal Corporation, to wit, by reason of his having leased his building situate at Gamdevi Road to the Corporation.

The petition came on for hearing yesterday before the Acting Chief Judge, when Mr. Rangnekar instructed by Messrs. Mone and Bodas appeared for the petitioner, and Mr. Leslie Crawford appeared for the Municipal Commissioner, while the sixth respondent Mr. Mantri was represented by Mr. K. K. Suntoke. None of the other respondents, though impleaded, had been served with notices, and at the outset, Mr. Rangnekar stated that he did no wish to proceed against them. The hearing of the petition accordingly proceeded against Mr. Mantri alone.

APPLICATION FOR GENERAL INSPECTION.

In opening his case, Mr. Rangnekar applied that a full and free inspection of all the voting papers be granted to his client, the petitioner. He contended that under Section 28 Clause (p) of the Municipal Act, the Commissioner was under an obligation to publish a list, specifying the names of candidates, the names of voters who voted, the number of valid and the number of rejected votes, given to each candidate, and the reasons for rejection. Counsel submitted that if such a list had been prepared, he would have no necessity to apply for a general inspection, as the list would have given him the information necessary for impeaching any particular vote. The Commissioner had in the present case, given only the total number of votes accepted and rejected, but the list failed to show the votes given by each voter as against the name of the particular candidate or candidates for whom he voted. Up to the year 1913, the practice was to publish such a list. He further relied on Rogers on Elections p. 233, the practice in England under the Ballot Act was to order a general inspection of votes at all elections whether Municipal or Parliamentary.

Mr. Crawford admitted that the practice in 1913 was as alleged by Counsel for the petitioner, but contended that the old practice was not in accordance with the proper interpretation of the Act.

Mr. Suntoke in supporting Mr. Crawford's contention argued that the Act only required that the total number of votes accepted or rejected for each candidate be specified. To require the Commissioner to specify against each voter's name the number of votes he gave for particular candidates would tantamount to adding in the Act additional words, for which there was no sanction. On a prior occasion, the same point was raised, and the then Chief Judge (Mr. Kemp) had given time to the parties to apply to the High Court for a Writ of Mandamus against Mr. Cadel, in case his contention was wrong, but none of the parties concerned had then cared to avail itself of this opportunity.

INSPECTION REFUSED.

His Honour, in refusing Mr. Rangnekar's application, observed that Counsel for the petitioner had attacked the mode in which the lists were prepared by the Municipal Commissioner under Section 28 Clause (p) in so far as they do not show against the name of each voter the valid and invalid votes given to each candidate. He referred to the practice which obtained prior to 1913. That practice it seems was faulty, and the present practice appeared to his Honour to be consonant both with the spirit and the letter of the law. The reasons given by his predecessor for refusing a roving inspection of all the papers and lists just to fish out a case also appealed to his Honour, and he accordingly refused to order further and general inspection of all recorded votes.

Mr. Rangnekar next proceeded to show how Mr. Mantri's election was bad in law. He urged that under Section 16, Sub-Section 2, Clause (g) of the Act, Mr. Mantri was disqualified from being a Councillor. That section, amongst others, disqualified, for election, all persons who directly or indirectly have any share or interest in any contract etc., with the Corporation. The Section, however, excluded persons who had any interest in "any lease, sale or purchase of land, or any agreement for the same." In the present case, Mr. Mantri's lease was not in respect of land, but in respect of a building which was not covered by the Section.

Mr. Suntoke admitted the existence of a lease between Mr. Mantri and the Joint Schools Committee, in respect of a floor and a half, occupied by one of the schools.

Manekshaw Mistry, a clerk in the office of the Joint Schools Committee produced bills of payments of rent and admitted that they were made by the Committee out of Municipal Funds.

ALLEGED IRREGULARITY IN VOTING.

On the question of facts Mr. Rangnekar asserted that one Shantaram Bhauram had voted twice in the same capacity. Another voter Narondas Dossa had left Bombay for Japan in December last, and yet a vote in his name had been recorded in Mr. Mantri's favour in January, 1919.

Further hearing was adjourned to Friday, the 7th instant to enable Mr. Rangnekar to cite his witnesses.

STRIKE AT THE MINT.

THE MEN'S DEMAN

THREAT TO STRIKERS.

The strike of the men working in H. M.'s Mint has not yet been settled, and there seems very little chance of an amicable settlement taking place. When the Mint Master posted a notice on the gate that the Government had declined to sanction the special bonus, but that they had given a permanent increase of one anna to those who got less ten annas a day and an increase of two annas to those getting more than that, the authorities had expected the men to rejoin their work on Monday, but these expectations were not fulfilled. The men, moreover, sent a demand through their lawyer yesterday, emphasising their original request for four annas' increase all round; they, in addition, asked for a bonus of two months' wages and pay for the days they were on strike. The Mint authorities, however, do not seem inclined to grant this request, and a fresh notice has been posted at the gate last evening, that the men should consider themselves dismissed if they do not return to work by 10th instant (Monday next); should they be taken back, that could be only done on the lowest starting wages, without taking into consideration what they were getting before the strike. They are to consider themselves as absolutely new men when they are re-engaged after their dismissal, if they do not rejoin on the 10th instant. The men, however, have done nothing further in the matter.

APPALLING BOLSHEVIK ATROCITIES

82 CORPSES WITH SKULLS SHATTERED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 7-10 p.m., March 3.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 20.—An appalling narrative of inhuman crime is revealed in the official report of the Esthonian authorities on the Bolshevik atrocities committed in Esthonia. Three large graves were opened at Wesenberg, revealing 82 corpses with skulls shattered. An eye-witness of the execution, who escaped, described the terrible scene. The victims were shot indiscriminately and trampled into graves, the vicinity of which was littered with torn clothing, brains, fragments of skull and hair.

There was similar bloodthirstiness at Dorpat, where bodies were dropped in the river through holes in the ice. Thirty women were killed at Narva and with stones tied round their necks, were thrown into the river.

RETURN OF GRENADIER GUARDS.

TRIUMPHAL WELCOME IN LOND N.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 7-10 p.m., March 3.

The Second Grenadier Guards were accorded a triumphal welcome on their return to London from Germany yesterday. Though no ceremony was arranged, the hour of arrival being uncertain, St. Pancras station was crowded within and without. Bands of the brigade of Guards were awaiting their arrival and played, "See the conquering hero comes."

General Feilding, commanding London district, welcomed them on behalf of the King. The battalion marched off with bands and colours accompanied by thousands of people, including wives, sisters and sweethearts. They were vociferously cheered along the whole route to Chelsea. It was indeed the happiest and most exultant procession London has seen for years.

Queen Alexandra outside Marlborough House, the Duke of Connaught, the Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden outside Clarence House, the King, Queen, Princess and Princess Mary at the open window of Buckingham Palace, greeted the warriors. The battalion did not include more than a dozen who went to France in 1914.

PORTUGUESE PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 1-40 p.m., March 3.

LISBON:—The President has signed a decree dissolving the Parliament

PASSIVE RESISTANCE AGAINST THE BLACK BILLS

"IRISH REPUBLIC."

DELEGATES TO PEACE CONFERENCE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., March 3.

PARIS.—Mr. O'Kelly, a Sinn Fein Member of the House of Commons for College Green, has arrived as "the accredited envoy of the provisional Government of the Irish Republic." He has written a letter to the delegates to the Conference demanding recognition of the Irish independence and admission of Ireland to the League of Nations.

JEWISH REPRESENTATION IN PEACE CONFERENCE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 1-40 p.m., March 4.

PARIS.—The Zionist organisation has been given permission to submit the case of the Jewish national movement to the Peace Conference at an early date. It will be represented by Messrs. Sokolow and Weizmann.

INTERNATIONAL TENNIS.

BRITISH CHALLENGE FOR DAVIS CUP IN 1919.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 12-50 p.m., March 3.

The British Isles has sent a challenge for the International Davis Cup which is at present held by Australia.

INDUSTRIAL FAILURE OF SOVIETS IN RUSSIA.

ANNOUNCED IN DECREE OF PEOPLE'S COMMISSARIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 1-40 p.m., March 3.

STOCKHOLM:—A telegram from Petrograd says the decree of the People's Commissaries announces that owing to the inability of the Soviet Republic to carry on certain industrial enterprises concessions will be granted to foreigners especially with a view to the construction of the Great Northern Railway and the development of the vast stretches of forest land.

The Bolshevik press dwells anxiously on the increasing reverse of the Red Army in Esthonia which it attributes to fatigue, bad equipment and wretched organisation of supplies.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN POLES AND CZECHS.

SUCCESS OF INTER-ALLIED MISSION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 1-40 p.m., March 4.

WARSHAW.—The inter Allied mission to secure an agreement between the Poles and the Czechs has been successful and temporary frontiers have been arranged.

MRS. BESANT JOINS THE MOVEMENT.

PLEDGE TO DISOBEY LAWS.

Passive Resistance or Satyagraha against the Rowlatt Bills was inaugurated at a meeting held at the Ashram of Mahatma Gandhi at Ahmedabad on Monday. Below we publish the Satyagraha Vow, with the first lists of signatories in Bombay and Ahmedabad. Mrs. Besant telegraphed yesterday announcing that she had signed the Satyagraha Vow of passive resistance against the Rowlatt Bills. In view of the fact, however, that no Committee has as yet been formed in Madras she is not committed to the other part of the pledge.

The Satyagraha Vow.

Being conscientiously of opinion that the Bills known as the Indian Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill No. I of 1919 and the Criminal Law (Emergency Powers) Bill No. II of 1919, are unjust, subversive of the principles of liberty and justice, and destructive of the elementary rights of individuals on which the safety of the community, as a whole, and the State itself is based, we solemnly affirm that, in the event of these Bills becoming law and until they are withdrawn, we shall refuse civilly to obey these laws and such other laws as a Committee to be hereafter appointed may think fit, and we further affirm that in this struggle we will faithfully follow truth and refrain from violence to life, person or property.

SATYAGRAHA SABHA.

At a meeting of the signatories to the Satyagraha Pledge held on Saturday the following Executive Committee was appointed:—

President:—Mahatma Gandhi. *Vice-President*:—Mr. B. G. Horniman.

Members of the Committee:—

1. Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas.
2. Mrs. Sarojini Naidu.
3. Dr. Erulker.
4. Mr. M. Subedar.
5. Mr. L. R. Tairsee.
6. Mr. Azad.
7. Dr. Welker.
8. Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta.
9. Mr. L. G. Khare.
10. Mr. V. A. Desai.
11. Mrs. Awantikabai Gokhale.
12. Mr. Chunilal Ujamsi.
13. Mr. R. N. Mandlik.
14. Mr. Jethmal Narandas.
15. Mr. Hansraj P. Thakersey.
16. Mr. Vithaldas V. Jerajani.

with power to add.

Secretaries:—
Dr. Sathaye.
Mr. Shankerlal Banker.
Mr. Umar Sabani.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee held on the 2nd March, Sub-Committees were appointed for collecting funds and carrying out the propaganda work. Messrs. L. R. Tairsey and Hansray Pragjee Thakersey, were elected Hon. Treasurers and the following names were added on the Executive Committee:—

Mr. P. K. Telang.
Dr. C. M. Desai.
Mr. Kanji Dwarkadas.

AMERICAN ARMY BILL.

PROVISION FOR AN ARMY OF HALF A MILLION REINSERTED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-30 p.m., March 3.

WASHINGTON.—It is announced that President Wilson will not convene an extra session of the Congress until after his return from the next trip to Europe. He believes it is his duty to remain in Europe until the peace treaty is concluded.

The Military Committee of the Senate has reinserted in the Army Bill the provision for an army of half a million men at the urgent request of the War Secretary, Mr. Baker and General March.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKET

AMATEUR TEAM TO PLAY IN ENGLAND.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-30 p.m., March 3.

Although the projected Australian Service Cricket tour under the auspices of the M. C. C. has fallen through, the Australian Imperial Forces Sports' Control Board has arranged for a first class amateur side to play in England during the forthcoming summer.

The fixtures already arranged include the M. C. C., Gentlemen of England and several counties.

LUDENDORFF AGAIN.

INTENTION TO RETURN TO GERMANY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 26.
Recd. 0-15 p.m., March 3.

COPENHAGEN.—A telegram from Berlin says von Ludendorff has written to Ebert announcing his intention of returning to Germany to continue to serve the German people.

There was a brief recurrence of shooting in the newspaper quarter on the evening of the 24th. It was thought to foreshadow a new Spartacist conspiracy, but the Government troops were ready to quell any outbreak.

A telegram from Hamburg says a surrendered U-boat, while being towed to England sank on the Dogger Bank. The crew was saved.

CHINESE WORKMEN IN PETROGRAD

ASSOCIATION FOR REVOLUTIONARY PROPAGANDA.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Feb. 27.
Recd. 1-40 p.m., March 4.

PARIS.—A conference was held in Petrograd at the end of December when the representatives of all Chinese workmen's organisations in Russia formed a combined association of 60,000 members with the object of conducting revolutionary propaganda. It issued an appeal to the Chinese people to fight the Government of Northern China and establish Soviets in China.

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FURTHER DETAILS OF THE OUTRAGE.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
MADURA, Mar. 1.

The following are the further details of the assault on the police near Kodaikanal Road:—For a long time past a number of thefts had been taking place of bags of grains and other stuffs from running goods-trains, during nights, between stations Kodaikanal Road and Ambaturai, and a criminal gang of Mavoothanapatti were suspected of these crimes. Recently, a theft of four bags of chilly occurred and three Sub-Inspectors set out for investigation into the case. They left Madura by the boat mail, on Thursday, and arrived the same afternoon at Kodaikanal Road, where they were joined by a railway police constable, a local police head-constable and the village munsiff with whom they had made an appointment. They proceeded to Mavoothanapatti, within a mile's distance from the railway station. At the village they searched two houses of suspects and seized a trunk, a box, a brief bag and an empty gunny. They searched a third house, and while they were drawing up the search-list, the suspects, armed with *aruval* (bill hooks), surrounded the Sub-Inspectors, who were not in their uniform and had no fire-arms about them, and attacked them. Mr. V. S. Srinivasa Iyengar who was preparing the list was the first to be given the mortal blow in the rear of his neck. Messrs. Mahamed Yousuff and Syed Sikkander received very severe injuries. Mr. Mahamed Yousuff, it is reported, ran bleeding to the railway station and sent news across to different places. Soon police help from Nellakottai came. Inspector Nanjundayya of Periyakulam division also arrived. By that time, the murderers had all escaped, leaving the dead and wounded in pools of blood. In the night, Inspector Sankaranarayan Iyer of the Railway Police and Deputy Superintendent Nargunam, with a posse of reserve constables, hurried to the scene from Madura. Inquest and post mortem examination have been held. The wounded are receiving treatment in the Government hospital in Madura. The enquiry is proceeding.

PRACTICAL SUPPORT TO MR. PATEL'S BILL.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
CALCUTTA, March 1.

In view of Mr. Patel's Intercaste Marriage Bill, it is interesting to report an intercaste Hindu marriage which took place last night the bridegroom being a Brahmin, and the bride of the Vadya caste. Several representative members of both communities attended.

Among those present, were Pandit Rajendra Nath Vidyabhusan, Mahamahopadaya Dr. Satish Chandra Vidyabhushan, Sir Krishna Gupta, Lieut.-Col. U. N. Mukerjee, the Hon. Kumar Arun Chandra Singha, Mr. J. C. Chaudhuri, Babu Gaganendranath Tagore, Mr. Satyananda Bose, Mr. C. R. Das, Mr. J. N. Roy and Sir P. C. Ray.

HIGH PRICES OF FOOD-GRAINS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
CALCUTTA, March 1.

A press note gives the following percentages of increase in the wholesale prices of foodstuffs at the end of January, compared with last year:—

Rice:—All-India 59, Bengal 69, Behar and Orissa 75, Madras 50, Burma 42, Assam 55 Punjab 69, North-West Frontier 68.

Wheat:—All-India 41, Punjab 33, United Provinces 47, Central Provinces 41, Burma 56, Bombay 52, Bihar and Orissa 48.

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2. These Bills will be issued in denominations of Rs. 5,000, Rs. 10,000, Rs. 25,000, Rs. 50,000, Rs. 1 lakh, Rs. 5 lakhs and Rs. 10 lakhs.

3. The rates payable will be notified from time to time. The present rates are as follows:—

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For twelve months' Bills **Rs. 95 per cent.** representing an annual yield as interest of 5.2631 per cent.

4. Bills will be repayable at maturity at the Presidency Banks of issue.

5. The Bill will be in the form appended. If the name of the payee be not filled in, the Bill will be paid to the bearer; it will otherwise be payable to the payee or his order.

6. Bills can be obtained during banking hours at the Head Offices of the Banks of Bengal, Bombay and Madras.

7. Applications for Bills will also be received at the branches of the Bank of Bengal at Cawnpore, Rangoon, Delhi and Lahore, and at the Karachi Branch of the Bank of Bombay. Transfers at par from these branches on the Head Office will be issued at above centres. Bills purchased at above centres will be paid at the branch of the Presidency Bank at which they were issued.

8. Brokerage at the rate of 1-16th per cent. on the face value of the Bill will be paid on any application submitted through any recognised broker. No brokerage will be paid in the case of Bills taken up direct by Banks.

9. The Government of India reserve the right at any time to vary the rates payable for any class of Bills, to fix a limit to the amount of Bills to be issued in any week, and to discontinue issues of any class or classes of Bills.

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SIMLA, March 2.

The disturbance has moved eastwards and is now affecting north-east India. There has been widespread rain or snow in the Punjab and the Kumaon hills with a few falls of rain in Assam and Chota Nagpur. Information from Kashmir is incomplete owing probably to the occurrence of heavy snowfall.

The Chief amounts are:—Mukteshwar half an inch, Mussoorree and Simla three-quarters and Murree one.

Forecast:—Dry weather except for a few falls of rain in Bengal and Assam.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Monday, the 3rd March, 1919, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear except in the extreme north where moderate cloud is present. Humidity is locally below normal in the east and north Punjab. Day temperature is higher than usual at Hisar.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is in defect at Agra. Day temperature is above normal at Cawnpore; night temperature is in excess at Allahabad, but is in defect at Jhansi.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear except at Karachi and Mount Abu. Humidity is generally below normal except in lower Sind. Both day and night temperatures are above the average in upper Sind, while day temperature alone is in slight excess in west Rajputana.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear or only lightly clouded. Humidity is moderately above normal except in the north of Gujarat and Central India West. Day temperature is below the average in the south of Gujarat and of Kathiawar; night temperature is in excess at Veraval.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear or only lightly clouded. Humidity is above normal in the south-eastern districts, but is below normal generally in the west of the division. Temperature is in slight defect in the southern half of the division.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear or only lightly clouded. Humidity is in excess at Bombay.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear or only lightly clouded. Day temperature is below normal at a few stations, night temperature is generally below the average in the Bombay Deccan and north-east Hyderabad.

General Remarks.—No rain is reported and fine clear weather continues over the greater part of the reporting area.

India Telegraphic Summary for the 2nd March 1919.

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TEMPERATURE IN BOMBAY.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA,
Bombay, 2nd March 1919.

Mean of observations taken at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m 4 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected to 32 deg. Fahr.	29.945 Inch.
Temperature of Air	76.3 Deg.
Wet Bulb Thermometer	69.0 "
Dew Point	65.4 "
Relative humidity of Air	0.694 "
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky cloudy=10)	1.4 "
Maximum temperature of Air	82.8 "
Minimum do.	71.9 "
General directions of Wind from midnight to midnight	W,ESE,WNW,NW,NNW.
Movement of Wind	134 Miles.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and height of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated in Bombay Mean time. Depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.		Day of Month.	LOW WATER. Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.	
	Mar.	h:	m:	ft.	in.	Mar.	h:	m.	ft.	in.
Mon.	3	m 11	57	28	11	3	m 4	0	16	6
							8	45a	15	3
Tues	4	m 0	14	29	10	4	m 5	47	15	6
		0	40a	29	3		5	51a	15	2
Wed.	5	m 0	51	29	8	5	m 6	23	14	9
		1	24a	29	2		6	32a	15	7
Thur.	6	m 1	29	29	1	6	m 7	0	14	5
		21	1a	28	7		7	14a	16	4
Fri.	7	m 9	42	28	10	7	m 7	40	14	7
		10	29a	28	0		7	58a	17	6
Sat.	8	m 2	55	26	11	8	m 9	15	16	1
		4	6a	26	8		9	51a	20	3
Sun.	9	m 3	53	25	8	9	m 10	22	17	2
		5	24a	25	10		10	51a	21	0

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time, during the ensuing week:—

2 Mar.	3 (Monday)	Sunrise 6h. 57m.	Sunset 6h. 45m.	
"	4 (Tuesday)	" 6h. 56m.	" 6h. 45m.	
"	5 (Wednesday)	" 6h. 56m.	" 6h. 46m.	
"	6 (Thursday)	" 6h. 55m.	" 6h. 46m.	
"	7 (Friday)	" 7h. 0m.	" 6h. 46m.	
"	8 (Saturday)	" 6h. 53m.	" 6h. 47m.	
"	9 (Sunday)	" 6h. 53m.	" 6h. 47m.	

Phases of the Moon:—

New Moon	—	2d.	4h.	41·4m. p.m.
First Quarter	—	9d	8h.	44 1m. a.m.
Full Moon	—	16d.	9h.	11·1m. p.m.
Last quarter	—	25d.	2h.	39m. a.m.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may by comparison with a standard instrument ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer in the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 80 deg. F. and to the level of the tide at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time on the 3rd M. ch, 1919, was 30.172 inches. For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometer of ships the reading of the ship's barometer has to be increased or decreased by .013 inch for every 5 degrees according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the aneroid the temperature correction is needed but for comparison at 80 deg. F. all aneroid readings should be increased by .138 inch. For correcting the ship's barometer either mercurial or anerold for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide in the stream at 8-45 a.m. Standard Time, the ship's barometer readings should be increased by .010 inch for every 10 feet of the height to make if comparable with the observatory barometer reading given.

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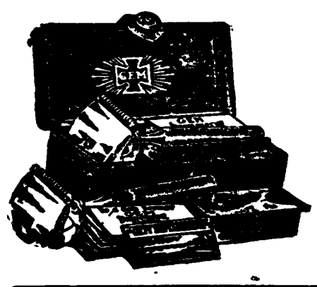

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